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AND  
PRIVACY ACTS**

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BREMER KIDNAPPING**

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Hot Springs, Arkansas,  
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MEMORANDUM FOR INSPECTOR E. J. CONNELLEY:

Re: Brekid.

There are attached hereto the logs for January 13, 1937 covering the taps on telephones listed to the Chief of Police, City Jailor, and Mayor's Office, all located in the City Hall at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Note that call at 12:42 P.M. where Day Captain Jerry Watkins politely tells a gambler that he is looking for probably another gambler. Last week a Matt Brown was arrested for being drunk and disturbing the peace, and it is very likely that the individual in instant conversation is identical with the said Matt Brown.

That call at 2:50 P.M. between "Dutch" Akers and Emmett Jackson, City Clerk, indicates that Akers apparently contemplates borrowing \$600.00 from the City or from Jackson to pay for a new Buick automobile which is awaiting his delivery to him at the Buick Agency.

That conversation between "Dutch" Akers and Chief Wakelin at 4:12 P. is very interesting. It should be noted that Grady Manning and a Little Rock crowd is expected to take over the gambling at the Kingsway Hotel. From previous conversations, it is our guess that Joe Schneider and Raymond Hebsamen of Little Rock, Arkansas will be associated with Manning in this venture. I recently submitted a memorandum setting forth two conversations between Mayor McLaughlin and a person at telephone #2115 and a conversation between the Mayor and Grady Manning. It is now believed that those three conversations had reference to getting a sanction from W. S. Jacobs to operate gambling games at the Kingsway. It has since been determined the telephone #2115 is the unlisted number assigned to W. S. Jacobs.

Note that call at 9:22 P.M. between "Dutch" Akers and an unidentified man. Apparently #3566 is unpublished as it does not appear in the local telephone directory. We have no idea what the conversation reflected in this call pertains to.

All those conversations over the Mayor's phone pertaining to the solution expected to be introduced providing for an appropriation to conduct an investigation in Hot Springs are very important, and should be set out in a report. The identity of Carroll Hollingsworth, Joe Schneider, Ed McManey, Jr., and "Gus" should be determined and explained in the conversations of this date.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Special Agent.



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Tap on #446 (City Jail)  
and #123 (Chief Police)  
Hot Springs, Ark.  
Plant at 207-Laurel.

12:01 Am. - In #1.

Officers - Kelly & Murray at 277.

12:02 Am - In #2

Man - This is Fitzwater. Did someone want to speak to me?

Fucker - Rogers did but he's out now.

Fitzwater - I'll call later.

(From subsequent call Fitzwater is believed to be a nightwatchman.)

12:35 Am. - In #1.

Rogers - Reported being at "Baby Elephant Cafe".

Corrington - Fitzwater called you.

Rogers - I'll be over soon.

12:40 Am - In #2.

Fitzwater - Has Rogers come in yet?

Corrington - He's at a restaurant eating.

Where can he call you?

Fitzwater - I'll be at the Central Garage  
#100 about 2:30 Am.

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Has.

12:55 Am. — In #1.

Officers — Murray & Kelly at 126.

1:00 Am. — In #2.

Man — Made complaint of man sitting  
in his car at 403 South Ave

1:01 Am. — Out #2.

Corington — Called 3606 (Firestone Service)  
Asked if Rogers was around.

Clerk — He was but he left.

Has.

1:34 Am. — In #2.

Woman — Send an officer to meet  
me at the U.S. Confectionary.

Rogers — What's the trouble?

Woman — I'll tell you about it there.  
I want to turn somebody  
over to you —

Rogers — all right —

Has.

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1:35 Am - In #2.

Woman - made complaint of man  
beating his wife at 132 Chappel  
street.

Corrington - all right.

2:00 Am - In #1.

Officers - Murray + Kelly at 777.

2:03 Am. - In #2.

Man - Reported '30 model Chevrolet  
sedan apparently abandoned  
at corner of Rose + Prospect St.

Corrington - all right.

2:45 Am. - In #2.

Fitzwater - Is Rogers there?

Rogers - Hello!

Fitzwater - you want me?

Rogers - Keep a look-out for gasoline  
thieves in the 1500 block  
on Central - They've been  
stealing gas out of cars.

Fitzwater - all right. -3-

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3:00 Am - In # 1. Has.

Officers - Murray & Kelly at 126.

3:20 Am. - In # 1.

Officers - Davis & Robbins at 777.

Rogers - Check all the hotels in the block with the Goddard and Garrison (hotels) for that fellow. He might have registered after midnight. He's an ex-convict and is out on parole.

Davis - OK. Has.

4:00 Am. - In # 1.

Officers - Murray & Kelly at 777.

5:00 Am - In # 1.

Officers - Murray & Kelly at 126.

5:50 Am - out # 1. Has.

Corrington - Called 3574 (Plein Restaurant)  
Ordered Two breakfasts.

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6:00 Am - In # 1.

Officers - Kelly + Murray reported in.

6:30 Am. - In # 2.

Woman (col) - This is 140 West Lane. Did you catch that party you were looking for?

Corrington - Who?

Officer (taking phone) - Yes, we caught him. You be here at 9:00 Am. at court.

7:05 Am. - In # 2.

Man - Send an officer to the Safeway grocery store on Grand Ave. near Grove St. Someone broke into it last night.

Officer - All right.

7:20 Am. - In # 1.

Mrs Rogers - Is Ben there?

Corrington - Not now.

Mrs Rogers - Tell him to call me.

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yes.

7:25 Am. - Out # 1.

Rogers - Called 3232-4 (his res.)

Mrs. Rogers - Hello.

Rogers - Conversated about domestic affairs  
and was instructed to bring  
groceries for breakfast.

7:50 Am. - In # 2. For Bill Abbott.

Woman - Inquired if Abbott would  
be home for breakfast.

Abbott - No. I'm sick.

yes.

#14#2

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9:00 AM In #446 *John*  
Call for Akers. was told that  
Akers was in Court.

9:22 AM In #446 *John*  
Houston Emory called Akers.  
Was told that Akers was in Court.  
Emory asked that Akers be asked  
to call him.

9:27 AM Out #173 *John*  
Rogers = 367 ✓  
Man = Marquette Hotel  
Rogers = Is Mr Mack there?  
Man = Yes, but he's sick and can't  
talk.  
Rogers = All right, I'll see him later.

9:29 AM In #173 *John*  
Corrington - Chief's office  
Thomas = Is Brock there?  
Corrington = No, I haven't seen him.  
Thomas = Ask him to call Thomas at  
the Marquette if he comes in.

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9<sup>45</sup> Out #173

Glen

Akers = 1037 (Emory and Ridgway, Atty's)  
Emory = Hello -

Akers = The papers for that man  
are here. Can you come over?

Emory = No, I'm waiting for a man  
to come by. Send that fellow  
over here.

Akers = OK.

10<sup>02</sup> Out #446

Glen

Akers called Park Service and  
asked for Tommy Wilson. Was told  
that Wilson was not on duty today.

10<sup>27</sup> In #173

Glen

Call for Arthur Young - Not In.

10<sup>29</sup> In #446

Glen

Call for Watkins - Not In.

10<sup>32</sup> In #446

Glen

Man called and asked location of Nevada St.  
Was told it was in South east part of town.



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10<sup>50</sup> Out #446

Blue

Akers called office of State  
Rangers at Little Rock.

Allbright - Hello -

Akers - Guy - this is Dutch. Are  
you familiar with that  
case Monroe is working on?

Allbright - Yes -

Akers - How about getting someone  
over so we can fix things up.

Allbright - Well, as soon as we can  
spare a man.

Akers - Is Earl there?

Earl - Hello

Akers - Earl, do you know where I  
can get some young boy  
who can classify? I'm short  
and I need a man.

Earl - How much will it pay?

Akers - Starts at \$73 per month - that's  
the regular patrolman's wage.

Earl - Well, I don't know anybody now  
but if I hear anything I'll call  
you.

Akers - OK I wish you would.

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10<sup>27</sup> In #446

Glue

Call for Jerry Watkins = Not In.

10<sup>38</sup> Out #173

Glue

Chief Raspberry called 3846 and  
talked with Mrs. Raspberry.  
Domestic conversation.

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11:02 Am. - Out # 2.

Akers - Called 522 (Creason Buick Motor Co.)

Clerk - Hello.

Akers - Requested clerk to figure costs of monthly payments on his new car at eighteen & twenty-four months. Said he was planning to pay cash, but that he would have to borrow it at 10% interest.

11:05 Am. - Out # 2

Akers - Called 227. (E.R. Boll Lbr. Co.)

Boll - Hello.

Akers - Mr. Boll, did you contact your Little Rock people about that?

Boll - No, not yet. I'll try to right away - in a few days.

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11<sup>10</sup> Out #173

Edna

Akers = 1585 H-

Woman = Hello -

Akers = Is Tommy there?

Tommy = Hello -

Akers = Tommy, this is Akers. I'm  
going to drive down. I want  
to talk with you.

Tommy = All right, I'll be here.

11<sup>18</sup> In #173

Edna

Watkins = Chief's Office

Legerwood = This is Legerwood. Tell  
Dutch to arrest Skell Hughes  
for forgery and also to go  
by the Western Union office  
and pick up the checks.

Watkins = All right.

11<sup>19</sup> In #446

Edna

Woman called for Mrs. Warrington  
(Police Matron). She was told that  
Mrs. Warrington was sick.

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11:45 A.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Woman: May I speak to Geo. McLaughlin -  
Watkins. He's not here - try the Dave Dept.

11:50 A.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Man: Mr. Adams, please -  
Tucker: Out just now -

12:10 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Woman: Mr. Tucker, did Arch Cooper shoot  
Bob Moore. I heard he shot him in  
the arm.

Tucker: No, Moore walked out of here just  
a minute ago - there's nothing to that.

12:27 P.M. Outgoing on #123 J.L.M.  
Moore Young called #3846 and talked with  
his wife about selling some sausages to  
Watkins.

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12:41 P.M. Outgoing on # 123

J.L.M.

Watkins: #116

Man: Miller's Cigars.

Watkins: Is Jack Wheatley there?

Man: He hasn't showed up yet, but he  
will be here pretty soon.

Watkins: Tell him to call Swede at the City Jail.

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12:42 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Jock Wheatley: Is Swede there?

Watkins: Hello -

Wheatley: This is Jock -

Watkins: They ordered Matt picked up this morning. When you see him tell him to get himself straightened out and to get somebody to help him.

Wheatley: All right Swede, I'll tell him as soon as I see him.

Watkins: There's no use in worrying around with him..

Wheatley: What's the charge?

Watkins: Uh, it's that same old mess he was into last week. Somebody sent in a complaint about him. If you see him tell him he can do as he pleases about it.

Wheatley: All right Swede - thanks very much for the call.

12:55 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Woman called for Kyle Cooper - not in.

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1:02 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

W.H. Operator: I called Akers' home, and they said he's on his way to the station. I have him call Western Union as soon as he comes in.

Warkins: All right -

1:04 P.M. Outgoing on #446

J.L.M.

Akers: 444 (Western Union)

Operator: On that message you are sending to the Auto License Bureau at Concord, Connecticut - there is no such destination.

Akers: Well, what's the Capital of Connecticut?

Operator: Hartford -

Akers: I don't know my geography - send it there.

1:42 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Woman: Is Hyle Cooper there?

Tricker: No, he's not -

Woman: Is - you look for him this afternoon?

Tricker: He may or may not be in.



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1:45 P.M. Incoming on #446

J.L.M.

Maid: Is Mr. Akers in?

Akers: Hello -

Maid: We're trying to get Mr. Cooper to come up here, but he's scared to death to come. Mrs. Akers called him too, and he's just scared to death.

Akers: Well, you can call him and tell him to meet me down here.

1:50 P.M. Outgoing on #446

J.L.M.

Akers: #522

Maid: Cream Bruch - Pontiac Co.

Akers: Mr. Williard, please -

Williard: Hello -

Akers: What did you figure out -

Williard: On an 18-month plan, it will be \$36.14 a month, and on a 24-month proposition it will be \$27.85 a month. The 18-months will aggregate \$650.52 + the 24-month plan will be \$668.40. That includes carrying charges, <sup>and</sup> fire & theft insurance.

Akers: All right thanks. -17-

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7<sup>43</sup> PM Out #173

Edna

Akers = 3800

Norman = Arkansas National Bank.

Akers = Mr. Coleman -

Coleman = Hello

Akers = This is Herbert Akers. Can you figure up and tell me what the monthly payments would be on a \$600 loan for 18 months at 10% would be.  
(pause)

Coleman = Dutch that would be \$35<sup>94</sup> per month.

Akers = All right, Thanks.

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Edna

Akers = 184

Jackson = Clerk's Office

Akers = Jack - The monthly payments would be \$35<sup>94</sup>.

Jackson = All right.

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2:53 P.M. Outgoing on # 123

J.L.M.

Akers: 636 (C.D. HARMON, ATT'Y.)

Harmon: Hello.

Akers: Charlie, this is Akers. I got a case here involving a law suit in Washington D.C., and it's got a Hot Springs angle to it. The suit is going to be had in Washington. I got a letter today from an attorney up there, asking me to get some information for him. I thought perhaps you could represent the people involved down here.

Harmon: What kind of a suit is it?

Akers: A pretty good one - it involves a death.

Harmon: Who are the people here?

Akers: The one is a maid who works at the Arlington Hotel - she gets off at four. Why don't you let me bring them up and talk with you - about 4:30 today.

Harmon - Can't make it today - how about 4:30 tomorrow afternoon?

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Arthur: All right, and in the ~~meantime~~ mean-  
time I'll drop up to see you -

Hamm: O. K. Hatch.

2:43 P.M. Outgoing on #123 J.L.M.  
Barnett Moore called #285 (City, Long Stone)  
and ordered some refreshments.

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3<sup>00</sup> Pm Out # 446

Edna

Watkins = 900 (Central Garage)

Man = Hello -

Watkins = This is Watkins at the City Tail. There is a Ford in front of 171 1/2 Central Ave. It's been there for about 2 weeks. Go up there and tow it in.

Man = OK.

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Edna

Buchanan called Tucker and told him to tell the man who sells raincoats to come by Hollman Garage. Tucker said he would tell him if he saw him.

3<sup>23</sup> Pm In # 446

Edna

Watkins = City Tail

Man = This is the Central Garage. The man who owns that Ford said he would move it. Is that ok.

Watkins = Yes, that is all right.

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Edna

Natkins called girl at 3617 T  
and carried on lengthy conversation.  
Nothing of importance.

344 In # 446

Edna

Call for Arthur Young - Not In -

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4:12 P.M. Outgoing on #446

J.L.M.

Akers: #1723 (Wakelin's residence)

Mrs. Wakelin: Hello.

Akers: How is the Chief feeling today?

Mrs. Wakelin: The weather has got him down.

Akers: Is he still in bed.

Mrs. Wakelin: In and out.

Akers: Ask him if there is anything he wants from town.

Wakelin: Hello.

Akers: Any thing you want?

Wakelin: You can send out some meat to go along with these greens I got. (laughs)

Akers: I'm going to send ~~that~~ \$50.00 to that boy - do you think that will be enough?

Wakelin: Yeah, I think so.

Akers: I'll have to do for the present. I'll get a money order for it and send it to him. I tried to wire him, but they don't have a telegraph office there - guess that town is too small to have one.

Wakelin: Babe Huff was up here after those rings - he was shooting <sup>off</sup> his mouth

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about having the power of attorney to get that stuff.

Akers: Did you give him those rings and jewelry.

Wahelun: No. I told him to see Vernie (Lidgenwood)

Akers: Babe's been after me to get those rings from you - I just kept stalling him off, telling him you were sick. One of those rings belongs to Scotty Murray, doesn't it?

Wahelun: Yeah. What's closing down there?

Akers: Every thing is quiet. I talked with Leo this morning about getting a fingerprint classifier - he wants to work up that Bureau. He said he wasn't going to put Cecil back on.

Wahelun: Did he say any thing about me?

Akers: No, he didn't, but he did indicate that he was going to let you ride on sick leave until you get well. It's my guess that he won't do any thing in your direction until the first of the month.



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Wahelini: So he's not going to take Cecil back?

Akers: No, he said his through with him.

Wahelini: I haven't seen Verne (Hedgewood) in two or three days, so I don't know much of what's going on.

Akers: I understood he moved back into the Como (Hotel)

Wahelini: Who has the gambling at the Kingway?

Akers: I understand they're going to open up there on the 16<sup>th</sup> - they all are - the Southern Club, Citizens, & Millers.

Wahelini: Who has it at the Kingway?

Akers: Goady Manning and that crowd from Little Rock.

Wahelini: Yeah?

Akers: I talked with Jake (W.S. Jacobs) the other day, and I understood him to say that they weren't going to have any gambling there (Kingway) this year. But I heard today that they will be ready to open up on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

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Wabshini: What about that thing this fellow  
Nichols was going to introduce over  
in Little Rock - is that taken care  
of?

Akers: Yes, I don't think there will be any-  
thing to it. Say Joe, do you know  
what happened to one of those <sup>two</sup> slot  
machines that were in that back  
room?

Wabshini: No. I don't -

Akers: I think Cecil took it and is going  
to put it up at the hotel (Kings-  
way). He's got nothing to do with  
those machines - I picked up  
the fellow with them. I'm go-  
ing to get after him, and get that  
machine back.

Wabshini: What else?

Akers: I've got an extradition case down  
here, and Dick Ryan is supposed  
to be handling it for the other side.  
We can't do anything with him -  
he's scared to death of Carl (Bailey).

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Akers: Don't you know anybody around town that can classify fingerprints? I remember that some fellows were fooling around with fingerprints a while back, but I can't remember who they were now.

Wahelin: No, I don't know of anybody.

Akers: I talked with Tommy Wilson today about helping us out temporarily, and he politely turned me down - said that none of them in the Government Service want to have anything to do with us on the City Dove.

(Tommy Wilson is a member of the National Park Service Police)

Wahelin: Well, I hope to be up and around in a couple of days.

Akers: I'll try and drop up to see you in the morning, + if you can think of anybody qualified enough to run the Bureau down here, give me a ring.

Wahelin: All right, but I don't know anybody that can do that.

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4:18 P.M. Outgoing on # 123

J. L. M.

Abers: # Rural 9537-F-21 (O.H. Wilhelm)

Mr. Wilhelm: Hello -

Abers: Mr. Wilhelm, wasn't your boy studying fingerprints at one time?

Mr. Wilhelm: Yes, he did.

Abers: What's he doing now -

Mr. Wilhelm: I think he is a traffic cop at Benton, Ark.

Abers: How can I get in touch with him over there?

Mr. Wilhelm: I think you'll have to call the Mayor, and he'll connect you.

Abers: All right, thank you.

4:20 P.M. Outgoing on # 123

J. L. M.

Abers called Long Distance to the Sheriff at Benton.

Abers: Say Sheriff, do you know a boy named Wilhelm who works there as a traffic cop?

Sheriff: No, I don't.

Abers: I heard the Mayor there knows how to get in touch with him. I wish you would

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Whers: get word to that boy, and have him call me.

~~Sherriff~~: All right, we'll get after him.

4:27 P.M. Outgoing on #123

J.L.M.

Whers: #522

Man: Coxsom Busch-Pontiac Co.

Whers: Am sending the City Busch over there to be fixed. Have it done right away, for we'll need it tonight.

4:35 P.M. Outgoing on #123

J.L.M.

Whers: #1037

Houston Emory: Hello-

Whers: Did you get your date set right?

Houston Emory: I got it set for 2 o'clock Monday.

Whers: All right.

4:44 P.M. Incoming on #446

J.L.M.

Man: Come over to Spencers' right away - there's a little fight over here.

Whers: All right.

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4:47 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Man: Is Monroe Young there?  
Trucker: He's out on a call.  
Man: When will he be back -  
Trucker: In a few minutes.

4:58 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Geo. Collier: Is Blutch there -  
Abner: Hello.  
Geo. Collier: This is George Collier - some of  
your men are out here and say  
that you want to talk with ~~me~~.  
Abner: How long are you going to be there?  
Geo. Collier: From now on.  
Abner: I'll be out there directly.

5:00 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Melba from the Creason Buick Co. called  
and advised that the City's Buick was ready.

5:08 P.M. Outgoing on #446 J.L.M.  
Civil Buick called Louise Cooper at (#87) and  
made a date to meet her at six o'clock.

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6:00 P.m. - In # 2.

Has.

Woman - asked for Mr. Akers.

Akers - Hello.

Woman - Can you take me home?

I'm downtown & will be  
by the side of the Eastman-  
Akers - all right.

6:06 P.m. - In # 1.

Has.

Woman - Is Jerry Watkins there?

Jucker - No. He's not here.

6:08 P.m. - In # 2.

Woman - Is Mr. Watkins there?

Jucker - No, he's not.

Woman - Tell him to call Western Union.

6:15 P.m. - In # 2. For Akers.

Has.

Akers - Hello.

Sam (col) - They said you were looking for me.

Akers - Do you know where David Lawrence lives?

Sam - No, but I saw him at Safeway Store on Monday.

Akers - Well, get out and find out. -31-

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6:30 Pm - In #1.

Has-

Woman - Is Jerry Watkins there?

Snicker - No, he's not.

Woman - Have him call Western Union.

6:35 Pm - out #2-

Akers - Called 3700

Clerk - Sentinel (newspaper)

Akers - Is Eddie Sherman there?

Clerk - No - He's not in -

Has-



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6:15 P.m. - Out #2.

Hdt

Brock - called 589 - (listed - R.W. Davis, Cant Asst)

Davis - Hello.

Brock - Dave have you done anything about that?

Davis - No, not yet Cecil.

Brock - You've got to get in over there so I can get mine renewed.

Davis - Yeah. When I hear, I'll let you know.

6:18 - Out #2.

Hdt -

Brock - Called Long Distance to Cliff Atkinson at Little Rock.

Atkinson - Hello.

Brock - Do you know anything yet?

Atkinson - No. not now.

Brock - Keep me in mind and if anything turns up, call me at home or at the police station here -

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6:20 Pm. - Out #2. Has-

Brock - Called Long Distance to Little  
Rock #62081 - Miss Griffin -

Opr. - Reported Miss Griffin expected  
in fifteen minutes - Will call.

6:20 Pm. - Out #1. Has-

Watkins - Called Western Union -  
Inquired for any message to  
him -

Clear - We don't have any for you.

6:43 Pm. - In #2 Has-

F.D. Opr -

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6:50 P.m. - out #1.

Akers - Called 472.

opr. - Number changed to 1807. I'll ring it.

Clerk - Hello.

Akers - Is this the store at grand + grove?

Clerk - No - Call 844.

6:52 P.m. - Out #1.

Akers - Called 844 - Clerk - Hello.

Akers - Is this the store robbed last night?

Clerk - No. Their number is 2210.

6:54 P.m. - Out #1.

Akers - Called 2210 (grocery store)

Clerk - Hello.

Akers - Did you send me a note?

Clerk - Yes. That boy's girl friend  
lives at 315 Laurel street.

Akers - You know her name?

Clerk - No I don't.

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6:55 Pm Out #123

Blue

Man called 289 (City Drug Store)  
and ordered cigarettes and a  
coco cola.

7:00 Pm In #446

Blue

Girl called Dutch - Not In.

7:04 Pm In #446

Blue

Akers = Hello -

Eddie Sherman = Dutch, did you want me.

Akers = Yes, Jackson jumped me  
about that again today.

Sherman = Ok. I'll take care of it  
in a day or two.

Akers = All right. Do that now  
because if you don't it's  
a reflection on me both.

Sherman = I will Dutch.

7:17 Out #123

Blue

Akers called Sheriff Rickard at  
Benton. Talked with Mrs. Rickard.  
Mrs. Rickard = Hello -

Akers: Mrs Rickard, this is  
Herbert Akers. How you  
or the Sheriff able to  
locate that boy?

Mrs Rickard: No, we couldn't find  
anyone around here by  
that name.

Akers = Well, all right, Thanks.

7<sup>15</sup> Out #173

Glenn

Akers = 9577.21 - No answer.

7<sup>22</sup> In #446

Glenn

Officer reported = Jerry at #7.

7<sup>35</sup> Out #7

Watkins = 7514 W-

Babe = Hello -

Watkins: Babe, This is Watkins. I've  
been busy today but I'll  
be up to see you tomorrow.

Babe: Ok.

7<sup>36</sup> PM In #173

Glenn

Call for Akers - Not In.

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737 In #446

Glue

Watkins = City Jail -

Charlie = Is Evans There?

Evans <sup>Heft</sup> = Curley - this is Charlie.

Charlie = I've got a passenger out here for you. She's pretty drunk and she wants you to come and take her home.

Evans = All right.

744 Out #446

Glue

Cecil Brock called his wife -

Nothing important in conversation.

749 In #173

Glue

Watkins = Chief's Office

Thomas = Watkins, this is Thomas at the Marquette Hotel. Can you come over.

Watkins = Yes, I'll be right over.

758 Out #446

Glue

Walter Ebel = 212 - No Answer

807 Out # 446

Gray

Bot Moore called # 712, Radio  
Station KTHS and asked  
what time the Mayor was to  
speak. Was told 9<sup>30</sup>.

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8:56 Pm. - In # 1.

Officer - Reported at 2341.

9:22 Pm. - Out # 1.

Akers - Called 2146.

Opv. - That's a party line.

Akers - Well give me 3366.

Man - Hello.

Akers - Did you see them?

Man - I saw the boys, but I haven't seen the old man yet. There's something coming up in the morning. Don't know exactly how you stand yet.

Akers - What'd the boys say?

Man - They couldn't say for sure. just said that the machinery had been put in motion, and that it would be Saturday or Monday before they'd know how you stand. I'll try to see the old man tomorrow.

Akers - Well, thanks.



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9:30 P.m. - In # 1.

Has.

Davis - Do you want me to stay on the street or come over there?

Rogus - Come over here.

9:35 P.m. - In # 1.

Woman - Send an officer over to 801 Valley street.

Corrington - Whats the trouble -

Woman - I want a bunch of drunks cleaned out.

10:00 P.m. - In # 1.

Has.

Officers - Murray & Kelly at 116.

10:20 P.m. - In # 2.

Woman - Complained of a drunk at Kincaid's place, on Malvern St.

10:35 P.m. - Out # 2.

Man - Called 1038 (Jacki Macjuntkin's res.)  
No one answered

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11:03 P.m. — In #1.

Officers — Kelly + Murray at 777.

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TAP ON TELEPHONE # 648,  
LISTED TO MAYOR'S OFFICE  
CITY HALL, HOT SPRINGS  
PLANT AT 207 LAUREL

840 AM In LHM

Miss Marsh - Mayor's Office

Woman - Is Judge Legerwood there?

Miss Marsh - No, he hasn't come down.

Woman - Will you ask him to call  
# 3094 when he comes.

Miss Marsh - Yes, I will.

847 AM Out

Legerwood - 3094

Mrs Smith - Hello.

Legerwood - Did someone there call  
Legerwood?

Mrs Smith - Yes, this is Mrs. Smith.

Judge Richardson's man,  
Joe Bell, is in jail. Judge  
Richardson is entirely  
dependent upon this man  
and I wondered if you  
could help.

Legerwood - Well, I'll see what the charges  
are and will do what I can.

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932 In #446 *Blue*

Miss Marsh - Mayor's Office

Eddie Sherman - Is the Mayor in?

Miss Marsh - He's busy right now.

He will be there soon.

Eddie Sherman - Ok, I'll come over  
and wait

Miss Marsh - All rightie.

939 Out #648 *Blue*

Miss Marsh called #446 and  
told Chief Raspberry that the  
Mayor wanted a list of the day  
and night police on duty.

942 In *Blue*

Miss Marsh - Mayor's Office

Man - Is Legerwood there?

Legerwood - Hello.

Man - Judge, can Paul Castelman  
be released.

Legerwood - Yes, if he pays that \$25  
alimony he can be released.

Man - Ok, thanks.

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9<sup>52</sup> In

Edna

Mrs Miles called and asked if Judge Ryan was there? Was told that Ryan had not been there.

9<sup>58</sup> In

Edna

Miss Marsh - Mayor's Office

Ryan - Is Leo in?

Mayor - Hello.

Ryan - Leo, this amendment is all drawn up. Judge Cotham has signed it and it is all ok. Is it ok to go ahead and sign your name for you.  
Mayor - Yes, that's ok.

10<sup>18</sup> AM Out #648

Edna

Mayor called Carol Hollingsworth at Little Rock.

Hollingsworth - Hello -

Mayor - This is Leo. What's the dope.

Hollingsworth - Things are in better shape than they've been for some time. When are you coming up?

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Mayor - I've got to be up there Friday.  
Hollingsworth - Well, I want to talk  
over several diplomatic  
points with you.

Mayor - All right.

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Miss Marsh - Mayor's Office

Stacey - Is the Mayor in?

Mayor - Hello -

Stacey - This is Stacey. Have you  
heard anything?

Mayor - Not a thing definite. Can  
you come by?

Stacey - Sure -

Mayor - All right.

10<sup>51</sup> In #648 Ehu

Miss Marsh - Mayor's Office

Jerry Mix - Is the Mayor in?

Mayor - Hello -

Jerry Mix - Mayor, this is Jerry Mix. I've  
been out of town and just got  
back. Have you decided yet.

Mayor - No not yet but I'll keep you  
in mind.

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11:03 AM. - out #3.

McLaughlin - Called 184 (City Clerk's Office)

Violet - Hello.

McL - Did you call me?

Violet - Yes. I just wanted to know what date to show on the books for the beginning of the new police officers salary.

McL - Well it would be the same date when Wakelin went out - was it the second? No, make it start from the first of the month.

Violet - All right.

11<sup>00</sup> Am In

John

Woman called for Mayor - Not In.

11<sup>27</sup> Am In

John

Miss Marsh - Mayor's Office

Bot Moore - Is he in?

Mayor - Hello -

Bot Moore - How was the sausage.

Mayor - It was fine.

Bot Moore - Well, I just thought I'd  
call and see how you're  
feeling.

Mayor - O.K. Bot!



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12:32 P.M. Incoming

J.L.M.

Man: Is the Mayor in.

Miss Marsh: No, he's gone to lunch.

Man: I wonder if he will be in his law office down town this afternoon.

Miss Marsh: No, I don't think so. He'll probably be back here at 2 o'clock.

Man: All right, thank you.

12:44 P.M. Outgoing

J.L.M.

Miss Marsh called #65 (Missouri Pacific Bus Station) and talked with her girl friend, Mary.

1:01 P.M. Incoming

J.L.M.

No answer.

1:40 P.M. Incoming

J.L.M.

No answer.

2:04 P.M. Outgoing

J.L.M.

Mayor called (#43) - Ledgerwood.

No answer.

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2:04 P.M. Outgoing

J.L.M.

Mayor: 728

Operator: Como Hotel -

Mayor: Ring Mr. Ledgerwood, please.

Operator: (Ring) he doesn't answer - try

# 2379 - W.

2:05 P.M. Outgoing

J.L.M.

Mayor: 2379 - W.

Maid: Hello.

Mayor: Where is the Judge?

Maid: He just left for town.

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2:08 P.M. Outgoing

J L M.

Mayor called Long Distance for Joe Schneider at Little Rock:

Mayor: I got word that things are not so encouraging over there. - heard that the fellow has assembled two or three more, and that they'll introduce that resolution tomorrow morning. ~~Don't understand~~

Schneider: Yeah - I understand they had a talk with Carl this morning. I haven't heard yet what was said. They tried to put it in this morning, and Bransford said he didn't want it.

Mayor: What do they think about it over there -

Schneider: Looks like you're between two forces, and they're pulling against each other. I got an idea what some one is trying to do - and so have you.

Mayor: Yeah, I know. What do you think we better do? - 9 -

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Schneider: You might come over here this afternoon, so I can talk with Guy and see what he's got to say.

Mayor: Yeah, you do that, and see what his reaction will be.

Schneider: All right, I'll get right after him.

Mayor: I'll call you back in an hour and see what he has to say.

2:14 P.M. Outgoing

J.L.M.

Mayor: #743

Ledgerwood: Hello.

Mayor: Is Sunny there?

Ledgerwood: ~~He's not here~~ Yes -

Mayor: How does he feel?

Ledgerwood: All right, I guess.

Mayor: I wish you and Sunny would come over here - I want to talk to you both. I'm expecting

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Mayor: a call from Joe Schneider and  
some other people.

Ledgewood: Here, Sonny wants to talk  
to you -

Sonny Davis: Say Leo, is this important?

Mayor: Yes, it's pretty damn  
serious. You & Verne  
jump in a car and come  
right over. You can drive  
around to the side, & I'll  
let you in the side door.

Sonny Davis: All right, we'll be over -

2:20 P.M. Incoming

J.L.M.

Man: Leo?

Mayor: Yes.

Man: Old man Ledgewood wanted  
to know <sup>if</sup> you were over there -  
he's coming over there to talk  
to you a minute.

Mayor: All right.

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2:44 P.M. Outgoing

J.L.M.

Mayor called Long Distance for Carl  
Hollingsworth, care of the Chief Clerk's Office  
in the State House of Representatives.

Operator said she would call Mayor when  
connection is put through.

2:56 P.M. Outgoing

J.L.M.

Mayor called Long Distance to Little Rock  
# 6658, and asked to speak with Joe Schneider.

Mayor: Joe, this is Leo.

Schneider: I've been trying to get a hold  
of that party, but I haven't  
been able to reach him yet. I  
have a party out checking on  
him now. I can call you  
back as soon as I contact him.

Mayor: All right Joe - call # 648.

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2:57 P.M. Incoming

J.L.M.

L.D. Operator reported on Mayor's call to Carol Hollingsworth at Little Rock.

She advised that Mr. Hollingsworth had left the State House, and that he was registered at the Marion Hotel. She said that she rang his room there, and no one answered - that she was then having him paged.

3:00 P.M. Outgoing

J.L.M.

Mayor called Sonny Manning at the Marion Hotel in Little Rock.

Mayor: Sonny (Harris) and Vernon (Ledgerwood) are here talking about this thing. I called Joe a while ago to contact Sonny to get his reaction on that thing we were talking about. He hasn't as yet been able to get a hold of him.

Manning: All depends on the attitude of the boss about this

Mayor: You mean Carl?

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Manning: Yes -

Mayor: Well - that has a lot to do with it, I admit.

Manning: The information I get down here doesn't sound very good to me. They held a conference in Carl's office this morning, and from what little I could gather indirectly, it seems that he encouraged it along. That's just hearsay now - I didn't get it direct.

Mayor: Have they adjourned down there yet?

Manning: Yes -

Mayor: Have you talked with John (Bransford) since they came in?

Manning: Yes, and he doesn't feel any too good about it. But we can depend upon him all right to do all he can to kill it.

Mayor: This thing may even get so far-reaching that it will have



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something to do with the men that  
I am appointing to make the investi-  
gation down here.

Manning: I don't hardly believe it will go  
that far.

Mayor: Well, it may or may not.

Manning: Say Leo, in all due respects to  
Jim Campbell, I don't think  
that he has done all he could  
about this thing. He had that  
follow up in his room the other  
day, and I don't think he worked  
on him like he should have.  
He's got the wrong slant on  
this thing - has the idea that  
he's going to argue it on the  
floor to keep it from being passed.  
Well, we can't afford to have  
that thing even introduced.

Mayor: I don't know what got into Jim.

Manning: Well, I'm going to get around  
and see what I can do and  
pick up. If I hear of anything

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Manning: now I'll call you.

Mayor: I'll be in Little Rock Friday -  
I will see you then.

3:20 P.M. Outgoing

Major called long distance for Jack Holt  
in the Attorney General's Office at Little Rock.

Mayor: Say Jack, do you know a fellow  
up there named Nichols from  
Logan County?

Holt: Yeah - you mean Lee Nichols?

Mayor: I don't know his first name, but  
he's from Logan County.

Holt: Is he a preacher?

Mayor: Yeah - that's the one.

Holt: Yes, I know him by sight.

Mayor: Well, he's come with a resolution  
that was written down here by  
Scott Wood, asking for five fellows  
to be appointed by the Speaker to inves-  
tigate the judicial circuit down  
here. The whole damn thing is  
silly, and I understood that they now

Mayor: <sup>how</sup> is fellow named Thompson from  
Independence County with them. Do  
you know him?

Holt: Yes.

Mayor: What sort of a fellow is he?

Holt: A preacher from down there.

Mayor: Can you give us any advice on  
this?

Holt: You know who this is coming from,  
don't you?

Mayor: I think so - Scott Wood wrote the  
thing.

Holt: No, I mean higher than that.

Mayor: Well, our information is that he  
was now committal on it. They  
had a conference with him this  
morning, but he didn't encourage  
it, nor did he pour any cold  
water over it. (Probably talking about  
Carl Bailey, the Governor)

Holt: You know, Nichols has seen  
him before about this, and he was  
then in favor of it.

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Mayor: Is there anything you can do?

Holt: Well, I'm not particularly close to those fellows, but I have some friends over here with whom I can talk and spread the word around.

Mayor: John Bronsford doesn't want it introduced either - he thinks the whole thing is absurd.

Holt: Well, it is absurd + silly.

Mayor: You know, they tried to introduce it before the House this morning, but John won't take it. I understand now, that they're going to try again tomorrow. They got a couple more backers today.

Holt: Well, I'm not close enough ~~to~~ to those fellows to talk them out of something, but I'll talk to some of my friends here, and get them to pour cold water on it.

Mayor: You'll have to work fast between now and tomorrow morning.

Holt: All right, I'll see what I can do. -18-

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3:25 P.M. Outgoing

Mayor called Long Distance for Ed. Mc Honey, Jr. at Little Rock. J.L.M.

The first part of their conversation pertained to the Mayor's divorce suit - nothing of importance to this issue.

Mayor: Are you fellows going to be in session tomorrow?

Mr. Honey: Yes.

Mayor: Do you know this fellow Nichols and about the resolution he is going to introduce providing for an appropriation of \$500 to investigate the judicial circuit down here.

Mr. Honey: Yes, I heard all about it today.

Mayor: What's the ~~story~~ talks about it up there.

Mr. Honey: Well, it looks like it's on a fence - you talk with three fellows and they say they are for it - then you talk with two or three more, and they say it's silly.

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Mr. Haney: A lot depends on what the boss thinks about it.

Mayor: I heard today that he really has no personal interest in it - and that he's neither encouraging it nor pouring cold water over it.

Mr. Haney: You know, the first information had it that Carl was going to sponsor a bill to provide authority for the State Troopers to step into a town or county where the local police did not function according to the law.

Mayor: Yeah, I know.

Mr. Haney: I doubt if the thing will ever go through - in the first place they'll ~~not~~ blink their eyes when they hear the amount of the appropriation asked for - \$7500.

Mayor: No - you think you can do any thing about it between now + tomorrow morning?

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Mr. Haney: Well, I don't know if we can  
kill it, but we can jiggle  
it around a bit.

Mayor: That'll be all right, because  
that will give us more time  
to get around.

Mr. Haney: Let me tell you what you can  
do? Tell your two boys  
down there not to run wild  
like they did last year. A lot  
of them resented it, and natu-  
rally were against every thing they  
did and said.

Mayor: Jim (Campbell) is not going to  
do that this year. I know  
what he did last year.

Mr. Haney: (Returned to matter of May-  
or's divorce suit)

Mayor: Well Ed, I'll try and be up  
to see you Friday.

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3:46 P.M. Outgoing

J L M.

Mayor: 707 (Clerk of Circuit Court)

Man: Hello -

Mayor: Is Johnny there -

Man: Just a minute - I think he is upstairs -

Jones: Hello -

Mayor: Johnny, this is Leo - what did they ever do about that transcript in that election case?

Jones: They came by here and got it last November.

Mayor: Did they pay for it?

Jones: Yes.



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HAY

9:08 P.M. - out #3.

McLaughlin - Called 1335 (Miss Hazel Marsh)

Hazel - Hello.

McL - Well, did you have a nice dinner?

Hazel - Yes, but I was worried about you. Started to call you up, but I knew you'd be busy calling people.

McL - I'm glad you're worried because it shows you're interested. I was out to mother's and just stopped by the office before going over to make that talk. Going to send Jerry back up there tomorrow because he may be able to do some good.

Hazel - Yes, he may.

McL - I've been talking to people all over the state - got a lot of forces lined up -  
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(cont.)

Has.

Hazel - That's good.

McL - Got some things working in Little Rock too.

Hazel - Did you talk to Carroll?

McL - Yes. He's doing what he can for me. Well, I'll call you later. Was just going to stop by the Fire Dept. and meet Ebel (reporter) there.

Hazel - All right. I hope everything comes out all right. I was worried about you.

(Note: Conversation apparently refers to activity of McLaughlin to block the introduction of a bill in the House of Representatives aimed to cause an investigation of public affairs & officials in Hot Springs)

Hot Springs, Arkansas,  
January 14, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR INSPECTOR E. J. CONNELLEY:

Re/ Brekid.

There is attached hereto a conversation taken over the Mayor's phone which was inadvertently omitted from the logs sent in for January 7, 1937. This conversation undoubtedly refers to the resolution which was passed in the State House of Representatives on this date (1/7/37). The individual named Roscoe in the said conversation, probably refers to Roscoe Johnson who is reported to be part owner of the Southern Club.

Respectfully submitted,

John L. Madala,  
Special Agent.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.	
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	
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ROUTE TO	FILE

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9:49 A.M. Outgoing

J L M

Mayor: 2115 (W. S. Jacobs)

Jacobs: Hello -

Mayor: How do you feel?

Jacobs: Am, pretty good.

Mayor: I just had been talking with Jim Campbell - did you read this morning's paper where they intend to introduce a resolution providing for a committee to investigate down here?

Jacobs: Yeah, I read it.

Mayor: Now here's what I thought - Jim Campbell is unusually close to the Speaker, and is the kind of fellow that can get around. We can send Jim up there ahead of time, and he can go around to his friends and talk with them about this thing. Now he claims it will cost about \$50.00 to move there with his family, and stay there for three or four days until the Assembly opens. While he's there he can devote his entire time in contacting his friends. What do you think?

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Jacobs: I think it will be a good investment.

Mayor: Yeah, I think so too. I'll try and get him to go over there this afternoon - I feel that the sooner he gets there, the better it will be for us.

Jacobs: Yeah, that's right.

Mayor: I'll call him over, and we can talk this thing over - can you get away?

Jacobs: Well, I was working on some income tax, but I can let Rose take care of that till 3 o'clock.

Mayor: All right, I'll see you then.

Note: The individual, Jim Campbell, mentioned above, is undoubtedly James R. Campbell, State Representative of Garland County, Ark.

Telephone # 2115 is unpublished. It was ascertained on 1/4/37 through <sup>the</sup> planning of a fictitious call to that number, that the same is assigned to W. S. Jacobs.

Hot Springs, Arkansas,  
January 15, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR INSPECTOR E. J. CONNELLEY:

Re: Brekid.

There are attached hereto the logs for January 11, 1937 covering the taps on telephones listed to the Chief of Police, City Jailor, and Mayor's Office, all located in the City Hall at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

The conversations over the Mayor's phone recorded at 9:02 A.M. and 9:06 A.M. pertain to the resolution providing for an appropriation of \$7500.00 and a committee of five to investigate the conditions generally at Hot Springs, Arkansas, which resolution was drawn up by Scott Wood who collaborated with Rev. Lee Nichols and Joe Denby on it, and which will be introduced by Rev. Nichols.

Joe Schneider mentioned in the above conversation is a close personal friend of the Mayor, and he was present with his wife at the Mayor's New Year's Eve Party ~~xxxx~~ at the Club Belvedere. It is not known what his ~~xxxx~~ connection is in the political circle at Little Rock, Arkansas. The conversation at 9:02 A.M. between Schneider and the Mayor indicates the attitude of the new Governor, Carl Bailey, of the conditions at Hot Springs.

In that conversation at 11:50 A.M. between the Mayor and Charles Cella, owner of the Oaklawn Race Track, it appears that Cella is somewhat griped ~~xxx~~ ~~xxxx~~ with the action taken by the merchants in town collectively.

The calls recorded at 7:20 P.M. and 7:35 P.M. disclose that the discharged police officers are having a conference at Arch Cooper's residence.

Respectfully submitted,

John L. Madala,  
Special Agent.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.	
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Top on #446 (City Jail)  
and #123 (Chief Alize)  
Hot Springs, Ark.  
Plant - 207 Laurel St.

12:04 Am. - In #1.

Officers - Murray & Kelly at 116. (Miller). H.H.

12:45 Am. - out #1.

Man - Called 3421 (Hatter Hotel).

Maid - Hello.

Man - Is Grace (Goldstein) there?

Maid - No, she's not here now. This  
is the maid - Can I take  
the message?

Man - No, that's all right. H.H.

(note: man calling was possibly  
Jack Macjunkins, a city fireman.)

12:55 Am. - In #1.

Officers - Murray & Kelly at 126.

1:00 Am. - In #1.

girl (col) - Is Mary Jesse in jail?  
Corrington - No. H.H.



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Has.

2:00 Am. - In #1.

Officers - Kelly + Murray at 777.

2:30 Am. - In #1.

Officers - Robbins + Davis at 3606.  
(Firestone Service Station).

2:50 Am. - Out #1

Has.

Abbott - Called 3900 (Market St. Garage).

John - Hello.

Abbott - John, Bill talking. Wish you'd send Fred to get the motor number off that Ford that's parked in front of Liberty Cash Grocery - We got the licence number 93-726.

John - All right.

Has.

3:35 Am. - In #1. For Abbott.

John - Bill, I'm just going up now to look at that Ford. Fred couldn't go.

Abbott - OK.



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Has.

3:50 Am - In # 1. For Abbott.

Abbott - Hello.

John - Bill, I can't find the motor number on that Ford unless we take out the floor-boards and look on the transmission housing. Are you coming over there?

Abbott - That's all right. Let it go.

4:00 Am. - In # 1.

Has.

Officers - Kelly & Murray at 126.

5:03 Am. - In # 1.

Officers - Kelly & Murray at 126.

5:50 Am. - In # 1.

Woman - Inquired the number of breakfasts needed.

Corrington - Five.

Has.

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Has.

6:00 Am. - Out #1.

Corrington - Called 1038 -

Jack Mcjunkins - Hello -

Corrington - Its six o'clock.

6:05 Am - In #2

Rogers - Hello -

Walter, - This is Walter - I went over to Dave's room. He wouldn't talk to me. Made me get out. He's in Room 209.

Are you coming over?

Rogers - Not now. I'll go over later in the morning.

7:25 Am. - In #2.

Man (col) - Is Floyd Cunningham in jail?

Corrington - No.

Has.

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7:32 Am. - In #1

Man - Is Elmer Dodd in jail?  
Corrington - Yes, he's here.

7:45 Am. - In #2 -

Mrs. Hall - Reported theft of her son's  
bicycle previous evening and  
also that he had not returned  
home during night after going  
to search for it.

#1444

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8<sup>20</sup> AM In #446

John

Chief Raspberry called Capt Rogers and asked that a car be sent for him.

8<sup>29</sup> AM In #446

John

Cornington - City Jail

Man - Have you got a Brown in jail?  
Cornington - I don't know. The docket has gone to the Clerk's Office. If you call 184 they can tell you.

Man - All right.

8<sup>52</sup> AM Out #446

John

Watkins called #1965 and talked to Mrs. Trammel about renting a room. Mrs. Trammel told him she was filled up.

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9<sup>35</sup> AM Out #183

Edna

Man - 3574 (Plein's Restaurant)

Woman - Hello.

Man - 6 diners.

Woman - All right.

9<sup>38</sup> AM In #183

Edna

Call for Akers - Not In

9<sup>39</sup> AM In #183

Edna

Watkins - Chief's Office

Sick Swain - Watkins what has been done with Brown?

Watkins - He's on the holdover for investigation.

9<sup>46</sup> AM In #446

Edna

Tucker - City Jail

Violet - Mr. Tucker send one of the men with a car to the Clerk's Office.

Tucker - All right.

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10<sup>05</sup> In #173

Elin

Tucker - Chief's Office

Man - Mr. Tucker what did

Richardson get this morning?

Tucker - He was fined \$10.

Man - Thanks.

10<sup>08</sup> In #446

Elin

Officer reported - Terry at #65.

10<sup>13</sup> Out #173

Elin

Akers = 45

Man - Hello.

Akers - What about that stuff for the City?

Man - I'll have it ready by noon.

Akers - Let me have one book when you finish.

Man - All right.

10<sup>18</sup> AM In #446

Elin

Fannie McLaughlin called Raspberry

Raspberry - Hello -

F. McLaughlin - Dr. Thompson called me

about that woman at 715  
Malvern. The only thing wrong  
is a sprained back. If I  
were you I'd forget it.  
Rasberry: OK. I'd like to. I wanted  
to help her if she needed it.  
J. McLaughlin: Well, she's taken care of now.

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10:20 A.M. Incoming on #446

J.L.M.

Woman: Is Jack Pickett there?

Akers: He's around the building somewhere.

Woman: Have him come to the lunch room right away.

10:23 A.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Louis: This is Louis - tell Jack his wife is waiting for him at Mrs. Plein's Restaurant.

Akers: All right.

10:31 A.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Officer George Young reported in from #3325.

10:32 A.M. Outgoing on #446

J.L.M.

Akers: 1037

Woman: Emory Ridgway -

Akers: Is Curtis there -

Ridgway: Hello

Akers: Assault & Battery is only a misdemeanor, isn't it?

Ridgway: Yes.

Akers: If a fellow breaks a woman's leg in a fight, what is that?

Ridgway: Aggravated Assault.



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Akers: Is that a felony?

Ridgway: No, just a fineable offense.

10:34 A.M. Outgoing on #446

J. L. M.

Tucker: #743

Ledgerwood: Hello-

Tucker: Melvin wanted me to call you?

Ledgerwood: Yes - he wants to make an appeal bond. Let him make it.

Tucker: What about the Richardson boy?

Ledgerwood: You can release him.

10:35 A.M. Outgoing on #123

J. L. M.

Monroe Young called #159 (Mr. Howell Brewer) and made an appointment for a physical examination.

10:36 A.M. Outgoing on #123

J. L. M.

Curly Evans. 184 (City Clerk's Office)

Violet: Hello.

Curly Evans: This is Curly - did I get a letter this morning?

Violet: Not a thing.

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10:43 A.M. Outgoing on #446 J.L.M.  
Akers: 184 (City Clerk's Office)  
Violet: Hello.  
Akers: How is Emmett (Jackson) this morning?  
Violet: He's still pretty weak.  
Akers: O.K. I just wanted to know how he was.

10:52 A.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Long Distance call for Herbert Akers from Mr.  
McCall at Little Rock, Ark.  
McCall: I got that other recommendation, I  
wonder if you can get that wave over  
here from the Judge.  
Akers: Well, I don't know. Did you ever talk  
to his people over here?  
McCall: No, I'm leaving that up to you.  
Akers: Yeah.  
McCall: The prosecutor recommended it this  
morning, and I said it would be done.  
Akers: All right, I'll see him right now.

Note: The above individual is Brady McCall,  
the State Game & Fish Commissioner.

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10:59 A.M. Incoming on #123

J. L. M.

Man: Is Dutch there?

Watkins: No, he's out just now.

Man: Do you know what time he will be back?

Watkins: No, I don't - want to leave your number.

Man: I called for him this morning - tell him to call #722.

11:06 A.M. Outgoing on #123

J. L. M.

Akers called Long Distance for Grady McCall, the State Game & Fish Commissioner at the Capitol in Little Rock, Ark.

Akers: Those people are over there - they're trying to do something for themselves today. The only thing you can do is to contact them at their office over there.

McCall: I'll tell you what I'll do - I'll get them to my office and have them call you.

11:10 A.M. Incoming on #446

J. L. M.

Dr. Ellis reported to Akers the loss of his overcoat - said some one took it out of his office at the hospital.

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11:16 A.M. Incoming on #446

J.L.M.

Officer Terry reported in from # ~~2122~~ 2122.

11:29 A.M. Incoming on #446

J.L.M.

Roy Emsley: On that fellow Mc Canley (phonetic)  
Curtis said to let him sign in on  
bond

Akers : Christ, we can't let that fellow out  
like that - he's got a long record.

Roy Emsley: Well, he's the boss on it. I got a  
call in for him now.

Akers : If he wants it that way, all right  
then.

11:54 A.M. Incoming on #446

J.L.M.

Officer Terry reported in from # 777.

11:59 A.M. Outgoing on # 123

J.L.M.

Trucker called Western Union for the correct  
time - was advised, 12 o'clock.

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12:01 P.M. Outgoing on #123

J.L.M.

Monroe Young called #159 (Mr. Brewer) about some medicine which the doctor prescribed for him.

12:02 P.M. Outgoing on #123

J.L.M.

Monroe Young called his home (#3846) and talked with wife about dinner.

12:12 P.M. Outgoing on #446

J.L.M.

Cecil Brock: 589 (State Revenue Dept.)

Mike Davis: Hello.

Brock: This is Lt - Lieutenant Brock speaking

Davis: (laughs) "Lt" is right.

Brock: What have you heard, Mike? You got a new boss (Governor) now - it's past 12:10 P.M.

Davis: Not a thing -

Brock: Is your friend going to do anything for you?

Davis: Well, he's still trying.

Brock: That helps - I heard this - that there is only one man against you.

Davis: I'm not worried much. -15-

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12:23 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Woman: Is Dutch there?  
Trucker: He's gone to dinner

12:44 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Officer Geo. Young reported from the Mo. Pacific  
Depot.

12:57 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Man: Is Red Terry around there?  
Sgt: No, he's on the street somewhere.

1:00 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Woman: Is Mr. Raspberry there?  
Sgt: He's gone to dinner.

1:01 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Long distance call for Herbert Ahers from  
Idabel, Okla. - Ahers not in.  
Was told to call Operator #4.

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105 PM Out #173 Glu  
Akers called #666 and talked  
to Mrs. Akers about fixing his house  
on the Lake.

108 PM In #446 Glu  
Call for Joe Scott. Not In.

114 In #173 Glu  
Mrs. Erney called Chief Raspberry  
and complained about dogs  
making so much noise in her  
neighborhood. Raspberry said  
he would see what could be  
done.

132 In #173 Glu  
Sheriff Felix Intrell at Idabel Okla.  
Called Akers -  
Akers = Hello -  
Intrell = Dutch this is Felix. He caught  
Bill Clinton in a Ford Model A  
which might be hot. It had  
Arkansas tags # 860856. I wish  
you'd check and let me know.  
Akers - All right - I'll send you a letter

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1<sup>40</sup> PM Out # 446

Edna

Akers = 1773 (Chief Wakelin)

Wakelin = Hello

Akers = Babe Huff was just down here  
raising hell about those rings.

Wakelin = Well, one of those is that Hall  
ring.

Akers = Well, I'll go up and see Verne  
and see what he wants to do.  
Have you got them out there  
or are they down here.

Wakelin = They are locked up down there.

Akers = OK, I'll see Verne (Legerwood) and  
will let you know what he says.

1<sup>45</sup> PM In # 173

Edna

Akers = Hello

Swain = Dutch, this is Dick. What  
have you got Brown for?

Akers = Assault.

Swain = When does he come up.

Akers = In the morning.

Swain = All right, thanks.



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1:52 P.M. Outgoing #446

J.L.M.

Akers: #2791 (republished)

Man: Southern Club -

Akers: Is Mr. Jacobs up there?

Man: Yes, he is -

Akers: Well, I'll be up there -

1:55 P.M. Outgoing #446

J.L.M.

Watkins: #1065 (Southern Club)

Phillips: Southern -

Watkins: Jimmy, this is Swede - have you got any rooms up at your place?

Phillips: Yeah, three of them.

Watkins: I'll be up and look at them.

1:56 P.M. Incoming #123

J.L.M.

Man from the Missouri-Pacific Freight House called and reported that some one broke into their office - asked that an investigation be made.

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2:34 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Officer Geo. Young reported in from #1987.

2:49 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Woman called for Blutch - not in.

2:51 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Woman called for Jerry Mathews -  
Not in.

3:10 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Officer Terry reported in from #1595

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3<sup>38</sup> PM Out #123

Shun

Emory = 1037 (Emory & Ridgway Attys)  
Woman = Hello

Emory = Look on my desk and give  
me the name on that letter  
from County Attorney at  
Enid, Okla.

Woman = That is George Raper.

Emory = All right

3<sup>41</sup> Out #446

Shun

Curly Evans = 785 (City Drug Store)

Dunn = City Drug Store, Dunn speaking.

Evans = This is Curly. How about  
making a touch?

Dunn = Well, it will have to  
be light.

Evans = I'm expecting some money in  
a day or two.

Dunn = Ok. come on by.

3<sup>54</sup> In #446

Shun

Call for Dyle Cooper = Not In.

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3<sup>58</sup> PM In #446

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Officer reporting = Geo. Young at #36

3<sup>59</sup> PM Out #143

Shur

Akers called 47167 Little Rock, Ark.

Mr. Fink = Hello.

Akers = I have a warrant for  
Bob Crandall. Do you have  
anything on him. He formerly  
worked for Credit's Chevrolet  
Company. Wish you'd try  
to pick him up for us.

Fink = All right - you'll send me  
a warrant?

Akers = Yes, I'll get it right off.

4<sup>10</sup> PM Out #446

Shur

Man: 3574 (Plein's Restaurant)

Woman = Hello -

Man = 6 dinners -

Woman = All right.

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4<sup>17</sup> Pm Out #173

Blue

Brock called 3700 (New Era) and asked if there was any truth in story that Mattson boy had been found. Roman told him that story was coming over the wire and for him to call back in 5 minutes.

4<sup>23</sup> Pm Out #173

Blue

Brock called his wife - Nothing important.

4<sup>35</sup> Pm In #173

Blue

Officer reporting - Geo. Young at 116.

5<sup>05</sup> Pm In #446

Blue

Call for Akers = Not In -

5<sup>12</sup> Pm Out #173

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5<sup>24</sup> Pm, In #446

Blue

Mrs Price called Akers and asked him when Federal Grand Jury was to meet. Akers told her he didn't know. -23-

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522 In #173

Phu

Officer reported = Geo. Young at 3700.

533 Out #446

Phu

Akers - 2791 (Southern Club)

Man - Hello -

Akers - How did the last race go?

Man - Thricee 1st

Paris Class 2nd

Donnie H 3rd

Akers - Thanks

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6:40 P.M. - In # 2.

Man - Requested officer to get an injured dog from Central Ave.

Officer - Call City Pound - 117.

6:45 - In # 2.

Man - Reported a young man attempted entrance at rear of the store and could be picked up on Central Ave carrying small hand bag.

G. Moore - Call right.

Hae.

6:55 P.M. - In # 2.

Officer - Young at 1987.

6:56 P.M. - In # 1.

Man - Gave name as Tom Young.  
Requested to borrow eight dollars from Akers.

Akers - I don't have it.

Hae.

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6:58 P.m. - In #2.

Man - gave name as Stuart Rowe, at  
dairy 1/2 mile from Oaklawn.  
Said man driving Ford V8 with  
Missouri license #743 attempting  
sell him couce in Diesel motor  
for \$500 down. Inquired if it  
was all right to pay him.  
Akers - Bring him down here & we'll  
check up.

7:15 P.m. - In #2.

Hood - Requested officer to arrest drunk  
at 1010 East Glen Ave.  
Akers - all right!

7:20 P.m. - In #2

Andy Irwin - Asked for Ben Griffin.

Griffin - Hello.

Irwin - are you coming out to  
Archie's (Cooper)?

Griffin - Is Bob (Moore) there?  
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Griffin - I thought we were supposed  
to meet down here. That's  
no way to do business.

Irwin - I know we were. Coming  
out?

Griffin - maybe.

7:25 P.m. - out #1.

Man - called 215 (Oakland Bar)  
asked for Mr. Tim King (or Cain).

Clerk - He's at Dr. Fitts.

Has.

7:28 P.m. - out #1.

Man - Called 306 (Dr. Fitts)  
asked for Mr. Tim King.

King - Hello.

Man - gave name as Troy; requested  
King sign his bond for  
disturbing the peace.

King - all right.

Has.

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Has.

7:35 P.m. - Out # 2

Man - Called 3339 (Arch Cooper's res.)

Cooper - Hello.

Man - Who's there now Arch?

Cooper - Just Andy Irwin.

Man - Did Bob Moore know to come out there?

Cooper - Yes, I think so. Where are you?

Man - At the jail. Press Griffin and Buchanan are here now. We'll come on out.

Has.

7:40 P.m. - In # 1.

Cooper - Asked for Watkins

Watkins - Hello.

Cooper - Requested Watkins to bring his pair of boots by the home in the morning.

7:50 P.m. - In # 1.

Officer - Terry at 217.

Has.

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W.S.

7:55 P.m. - Out #1.

Ebel (reporter) - Called Western Union -  
Requested that a boy be  
sent to city jail.

8:05 P.m. - In #2.

Woman - Is Dutch Aken there?

Tucker - He's out somewhere.

W.S.

8:07 P.m. - In #1.

Woman - Is Mr. Aken there?

Tucker - He's out somewhere.

8:15 P.m. - Out #1.

Watkins - Called 388 -

Woman - Hello

Watkins - Is Harry there?

W.S.

Harry - Hello.

Watkins - This is Swede - Have you heard  
anything?

Harry - I forgot what you mean -

Watkins - That I was talking to you  
about around Xmas -

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Has-

Harry - Oh, no. I haven't heard anything.

Watkins - Well, that fellow will be in town tomorrow. I'll bring him by to talk to you.

Harry - all right.

Has-

8:24 Pm. - In #2.

L. D. Opr. - Have a call for you from Lake Charles, La., Police Dept.

Man - Requested that the Hot Springs police effort to locate an elderly missing man - William J. Doyle - (gave description)

Has-

8:28 Pm. - In #2.

L. D. Opr. - Have a call for you from Devden, Ark.

Man - gave his name as Dugan. Requests that the police locate Eddie Dugan, traveling with Wm Kingfield and Thomas Griffin towards Mt. Ida, Ark, in his car which was stolen.

Incker - all right.

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Hos.

8:30 Pm. - In # 1.

Woman - Asked for Jerry Watkins.

Watkins - Hello -

Woman - Carried on lengthy immaterial social conversation with Watkins.

Woman evidently not Watkins' wife, since she inquired as to the health of his wife and children. Requested that Watkins find her shoes for her.

8:32 Pm. - In # 2.

Officer - Young reported at 72.

Hos.

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8:50 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Mr. Kimble of the Goodyear Filling Station  
called up and reported that a boy was  
at his station who was hitchhiking his  
way to Chicago - that he wanted some  
place to stay overnight - Watkins told  
him to call the Salvation Army.

8:55 P.M. Incoming on #246 J.L.M.  
Woman: Is Dutch Akers there?  
Watkins: Out on a call -  
Woman: When he returns, tell him to  
call #2649.

9:50 P.M. Outgoing on #123 J.L.M.  
Rogers: #2002 (Houston Emory)  
Emory: Hello -  
Rogers: Houston - that Sheriff of Iowa just  
came in for that woman. What  
you want me to do?  
Emory: Let me talk to him.  
Sheriff: Hello, what's the set up?  
Emory: Have you any papers for that woman?

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Emory: She came down here for a divorce, and I was going to get it for her.

Sheriff: The certified copies of the fugitive warrants will be in tomorrow.

Emory: He'll demand proof of her identity and her case, and I will represent her at the hearing before the Governor.

Sheriff: You'll have all that tomorrow.

Emory: What's she charged with?

Sheriff: Adultery.

Emory: Is that a felony?

Sheriff: Yes.

Emory: Well, you be around tomorrow + I'll see you.

10:10 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Davis + Robbins reported in from #116.

10:15 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Woman called in and inquired whether any trace had been found of H.E. Wells' car which had been stolen - Rogers said not a thing. - 33 -

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Has-

10:48 P.m. - In #2.

Woman - Reported drunk man at the  
Virginia Hotel -

11:00 P.m. - In #1.

Officers - Davis & Robbins at 116 (Miller's)

11:05 P.m. - Out #2.

Rogers - Called 666 (Akers)

Has-

Akers - Hello

Rogers - Dutch, where did you get that  
from, from Crawford?

Akers - yes - It's nothing to it. It all  
started around the Fire Dept.

Rogers - Well, Jack McJunkins was  
just over here and said the  
same -

Akers - Don't worry about it.

Rogers - Anything you'll say will  
be appreciated.

Akers - ok.

Has-



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Has-

11:06 P.m. - In # 1.

Woman - Asked for "Curley" Evans.

Rogers - He works at day -

Woman - Evidently drunk, carried on lengthly immaterial conversation with Rogers. Refused to give her name. Said she lived at the Pullman Hotel and was calling from a beer joint. Professed acquaintance with Bob Moore.

11:07 P.m. - Out #2.

Has-

Officer - Asked operator what number was talking on the other police phone.

Op. - 805 called you.

11:15 P.m. - In # 1.

Woman - Asked for Curley Evans.

Rogers - He's not here.

Woman - (Same as above call; drunk) Attempted to engage Rogers in conversation

Rogers - Hums up. - 75.

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Has-

11:16 P.M. - Out #1.

Rogers - Asked operator the number of party who called his number.

opr. - 805 called you.

Rogers - I can't find my other directory - what place is 805?

opr. - I don't know.

11:17 P.M. - Out #1.

Has-

Rogers - Called 805

woman - Hello - (not same woman)

Rogers - What place is this?

woman - The Diamond (or Gorman) Bar.

Rogers - Hung up.

11:35 P.M. - In #1.

Mrs McFurkins - Requested Rogers to have Corington call her at six AM.

Has-

Tap on T-648 (Mayors Office)  
Hot Spring, Arkansas  
Plant at 207-Laurel St.

*Edna*

Not In

Blue

Not In

*E. L.*

Little Rock,

Schneider Hello-

- Joe, this is Les. Have you heard anything?

Well, I talked with Carl yesterday about that. I don't think he has a personal interest but he says he doesn't want me to go poking around.

at lining up your  
to work on it.

but he said that  
~~was not~~ later  
be reckoned  
on later. He also

said those indictments should have charged murder if it was murder but I told him that that was just the view of an old prosecutor.

Mayor - Well, Guy told me if this fellow wasn't personally interested that everything would be all right.

Idem: Carl told me he didn't order it. I talked to him for about 30 minutes. If you have any other contacts send them over to talk with him because I think that best.

Mayor - Well, all right and if you get anything more just let me know.

9:06 PM Out

Blue

Mayor called Grady Manning at Little Rock.

Manning - Hello -

Mayor - Grady, this is Leo.

Manning - Well, I talked to quite a

few people and I think  
everything is pretty well fixed.  
Mayor = I talked to Joe. He had  
talked to Carl and now that  
leaves this man Williams free  
to go to him. Nicolls hasn't  
been contacted yet, either.

Manning = Well, Bailey isn't in favor  
of it at all.

Mayor = How is the brother?

Manning = I'm not sure. I'll call  
Guy now and have a talk  
with him.

Mayor = Well. Ok.

9:13 AM Out

John

Mayor = 2041

Ryan = Hello -

Mayor = Is the Colonel there?

Colonel = Hello

Mayor = Can you get Sharty and Kelly  
together so we can get set  
for this election

Colonel = Yes - I'll do that.

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9<sup>14</sup> Am Out

Edna

Mayor - 3400

Woman - Majestic Hotel

Mayor - Is Mr. Warren there?

Warren - Hello.

Mayor - Bruce, this is Les. I talked to Ryan. He was under the impression that maybe we could go ahead without Mr. Head. When you meet tomorrow night suggest to them that they take some action with respect to a fee for him.

Warren - All right, I'll be glad to do that.

9<sup>28</sup> Am In

Edna

Miss March - Mayor's Office

Man - Is the Mayor in?

Mayor - Hello -

Man - Mayor, There is a meeting tonight at the Eastman Hotel at 6<sup>30</sup>.

Mayor - Well - Come down by here - I want to talk with you about that.

Man - All right.

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9<sup>37</sup> AM Out

Glenn

Miss Marsh = 184

Violet = Hello -

Miss Marsh = Emmett (Jackson) is back yet?

Violet = No. I think he's better today however.

Miss Marsh = All right.

9<sup>41</sup> In

Glenn

Miss Marsh = Mayor's Office

Mike = Is the Mayor in?

Mayor = Hello -

Mike = This is Mike. Will you tell Violet to take care of that?

Mayor = Yes, I'll fix it.

9<sup>55</sup> Out

Glenn

Miss Marsh called #446 and told Harkins to come by the Mayor's Office for some mail for the jail.

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10<sup>12</sup> Out

Miss Marsh = 1124 (Fin Dept) Blue

Man = Hello.

Miss Marsh - Send Blue up to the  
Mayor's Office.



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10:26 A.M. Incoming J.L.M.  
Long Distance Operator reported on Mayor's call  
to Mrs. Cella at St. Louis, Mo. - said he was  
expected back in 45 minutes.

10:29 A.M. Incoming J.L.M.  
Stella McLaughlin: Les, send Elmer to the store and  
have him get a spool of strong  
thread and a needle - Herman  
wants to mend that blanket.  
Mayor: All Right -

10:39 A.M. Outgoing J.L.M.  
Mayor called # 646 and talked with Clyde  
Brown, a local attorney. Conversation pertained  
to data for Mayor's speech which he will give  
over Radio Station K.T.H.S. on Wednesday night  
in connection with the proposed location of a new  
City Auditorium.

10:58 A.M. Outgoing J.L.M.  
Miss Marsh # 806 (W. L. Rugh, M. L.)  
Mr. Rugh: Hello -

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Miss Macdonald: I'm ready to start back again today, if you want me to -

Mr. Hughes: Come to the office this afternoon and I'll examine you and see how things are. What time will you be here.

Miss Macdonald: A little after four o'clock.

11.14 A.M. Outgoing

J.L.M.

Mayor called # 1469 and talked with Emmett Jackson. Conversation pertained to data for Mayor's radio speech on the new City Auditorium. Nothing of importance.

11.19 A.M. Incoming

J.L.M.

Ledgewood: Did you see that fellow yet?

Mayor: No

Ledgewood: Are you coming back to the office this afternoon?

Mayor: I think I will -

Ledgewood: I'll be in anyway - you call me.

Mayor: All right.

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11:30 A.M. Incoming

J L M.

Operator completed call to Chas. Cella at St. Louis, Missouri.

Mayor: Have you bought that fertilizer yet -  
(laughs) this is Leo.

Cella: Uh, how are you, Leo?

Mayor: Just fine - how's Joe (Martin)?

Cella: He's been sick in bed for the last three days - looks like the Grippe.

Mayor: Say Charlie - what are you going to do about those concessions at the track this year?

Cella: Joe (Martin) will handle that when he gets up.

Mayor: Well, here's the proposition - I gave it to Lloyd (retiring Sheriff) last year, and he might feel that he owes it to him again this year. Joe let him have it every year since 1934. Well.

Lloyd is out now, and I thought that if Joe is going to deal those things out, I'd like to participate in that -

Cella: Say Leo, we got to watch our step down there

Cella: My purchases (phonetic) last year were \$18,000 - that's too damn high. I can't make any money that way. If they're going to put any burden on me, I'm not going to run down there anymore.

Mayor: What's the trouble -

Cella: Just this - the business men are shipping out on me.

Mayor: I haven't heard anything like that down here.

Cella: Well, I got a letter from Higgins the other day to that effect. I tell you, Leo - I came to the conclusion that if they don't do me right down there, I'll tell the whole bunch of them to go to hell.

Oh, I'll run this year, all right, but if things don't change, I won't have anything to do with you fellows next year.

Mayor: I think it will or could be worked out all right.

Cella: I've got an offer to rent out the track there some people from Chicago. I'm considering that proposition right now, and I came to the conclusion that I can make a damn sight more money that way.

Mayor: What did that letter say and who was it from

Cella: I think Higgins down there wrote it. He said they had a meeting and all kinds of other crap. I tell you, Leo - I'm not going to stand for any pushing around.

Mayor: I've seen and talked with Higgins almost every day in the past two weeks, and he never said anything to me about having a meeting on this thing.

Cella: You know they used to give from \$3,000 to \$4,000, and they now decided to cut that out. I'd like to come down there and tell ~~and tell~~ those guys were to get off. I would tell the Governor too in the same tone of voice.

Mayor: Are you talking about that letter from Cazort (?) -

Cella - Yeah -

Mayor: That was just a parting shot. I don't think there is any thing to that.

Cella: You know, Leo - I like Hot Springs and all that, and I'd like to be down there,

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Cella: but if they are going to brick me around,  
I'll tell them all to go to hell -

Leo: Can you send me a copy of that letter?

Cella: Yeah. I'll send you a copy - say Leo -  
do you think it would do any good if I  
came down there and talked with those  
fellows myself.

Leo: No, I don't - let me talk with Higgins  
about this, and I'm sure every thing can  
be straightened out. It's funny though,  
that I haven't heard about this meeting  
up until this time. O.K. Charlie, you  
send me a copy of that letter, + I'll see  
what I can do.

Cella: All right, I'll call Joe and see where it  
is. I'll also talk to him about that  
other matter you mentioned -

Leo: Goodbye Charlie.

Note: Charles Cella is reported to be the owner  
of the Oaklawn Race Tracks in Hot  
Springs. Higgins probably is identical  
John G. Higgins, president of the Arkansas  
Nat'l. Bank.

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12:23 P.M. Outgoing J.L.M.

Mayor: # 3700

Woman: Sentinel - Record)

Mayor: Is Bob Dean there -

Dean: Hello -

Mayor: What's the dope from Little Rock  
on the Supreme Court?

Dean: (Read a lengthy associated Press dispatch)

Mayor: Anything come in on my case?

Dean: No, not yet.

12:46 P.M. Outgoing J.L.M.

Mayor: 613

Eoney: Sheriff's Office -

Mayor: Who's speaking?

Eoney: Roy Eoney

Mayor: Is Marion (Anderson) there?

Eoney: No, he's gone home

Mayor: Tell him I want to see him at my  
office at two o'clock.

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12:47 P.M.

Incoming

J.L.M.

Click Matt: Leo, this is Click Matt - I would like to see you a minute.

Mayor: I'm just going out to have some lunch.

Click Matt: Can you stop by here on the way?

Mayor: I'll be at the Citizens Trust Company in about five minutes - see me over there.

Click Matt: I want to tell you something that might be of some good to you.

12:53 P.M.

Incoming

J.L.M.

Mrs. Will Eney called & complained that Mr. Collier's pretty dogs were disturbing the peace in the neighborhood. Miss Marsh advised her to swear out a warrant for Collier for possessing a public nuisance.



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1:55 P.M.

Outgoing

J.L.M.

Sam Garratt: Is the Mayor in -

Miss Marsh: No, he's out.

Sam Garratt: This is Judge Garratt, did he hear from Little Rock this morning about the rehearing in his case by the Supreme Court.

Miss Marsh: No, I don't think so - he'll probably call his attorney this afternoon.

2:02 P.M.

Outgoing

J.L.M.

Mayor: #613

Erney: Sheriff's office -

Mayor: Is Marvin around there?

Erney: No, he went downtown to see you.

Mayor: All right.

2:04 P.M.

Outgoing

J.L.M.

Mayor: 436 (John Young, Constable)

Young: Hello -

Mayor: John, are you coming over this way

Young: Yes -

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2:05 P.M. Outgoing J.L.M.  
Mayor called Long Distance for Grover  
T. Owens at L.D. 62, Little Rock.

Mayor + Owens talked at great length  
concerning contemplated action in the  
Mayor's divorce suit.

2:10 P.M. Outgoing J.L.M.  
Mayor called # 1124 (City Dir's Dept.) and  
requested Elmer to buy some strong  
thread and a needle for sewing a blanket,  
and take it to his home.

2:17 P.M. Outgoing J.L.M.  
Mayor called Judge Ledgerwood's office  
(#743) - No answer.

3:08 P.M. Outgoing J.L.M.  
Mayor called Judge Ledgerwood's office  
(#743) - No answer.

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3:15 P.M. Outgoing

J.L.M.

Mayor: 743

Ledgewood: Hello -

Mayor: Are you coming over?

Ledgewood: Yeah, where are you?

Mayor: At the office -

Ledgewood: I'll be right over.

3:17 P.M. Outgoing

J.L.M.

Mayor called the home of Judge Sam  
Barrett (#783) and talked with the judge  
at great length about the jurisdictional  
question in the Mayor's divorce suit -  
nothing of importance to this case.

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Edgar

Mayor = Hello -

Arch Cooper = Are you busy?

Mayor = No, where are you?

Arch Cooper = Down stairs.

Mayor = All right, come on up.

Hot Springs, Arkansas  
January 14, 1937.

MEMORANDUM FOR INSPECTOR E. J. CONNELLEY:

Re: Brekid.

There are attached hereto the logs for January 12, 1937 covering the taps on telephones listed to the Chief of Police, City Jailor, and Mayor's Office, all located in the City Hall at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

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The call recorded at 1:41 P.M. between "Dutch" Akers and Dan Murry indicates that Murry is a professional bondsman in league with the Police Department and Prosecutor's Office. The background of this particular case is reflected in a conversation made the previous evening around 10:30 P.M. between ~~Murphy~~ Houston Emory and the Sheriff from Iowa who came to Hot Spring in the hopes of extradicting this woman whose name is Sassie.

Referring to that call at 9:00 A.M. over the Mayor's phone between Dick Ryan and Mayor McLaughlin, it is believed that they were talking about the attorney's fees in the litigation of Radio Station KTHS. The Mayor and Ryan represent the Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce in this case. Bruce Wallace, mentioned therein, is Vice-Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce and the Kemp mentioned, is S. A. Kemp, Postmaster of Hot Springs and ~~vice~~ Chairman of the Board, ~~of the~~ Chamber of Commerce.

In that conversation between the Mayor and Grady Manning at 9:14 A.M. it is believed that they were referring to the resolution just passed providing for a committee to investigate the ~~xx~~ lawless conditions in Hot Springs. This fellow, Nichols, is one of the authors of the resolution. It is not known at this end just who "Guy" is, but apparently he is some person that the faction down here is trying to reach to help pour cold water on this resolution. Hollingsworth's complete name is Carroll Hollingsworth, and recent telephone conversations have indicated that perhaps he is on the local administration's payroll, employed to do his part in discouraging the passage of the resolution above mentioned. It is probable that Carroll Hollingsworth is a State Representative; however, this was not definitely determined over the taps. Recent conversations likewise have indicated that Scott Wood is the real author of the said resolution.

Note the conversation at 10:54 A.M. between Mayor McLaughlin and one EARL who is believed to be Earl Witt, Circuit Judge.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	
ROUTE TO:	FILE

Respectfully submitted,

John L. Madala,  
Special Agent.

Tap on #446 (City Jail)  
and #123 (Chief of Police)  
Hot Spring, Ark.  
Plant at 207 - Laurel St.

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Has.

12:02 Am. - In #1.

Party calling hung up phone.

12:10 Am. - In #1.

Officers - Davis & Robbins at 777.

12:45 Am. - Out #2.

Corrington - Called 3376

Has.

Dr. Thompson - Hello.

Corrington - Dr. Thompson, can you  
come to the jail to see a prisoner  
who's sick?

Dr. Thompson - No. I'm sick myself.

1:00 Am. - In #1.

Eddie (reporter) - Is Ben Rogers there?

Corrington - No.

Eddie - Anything going on Sgt.?

Corrington - Not a thing, Eddie.

Has.

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1:01 Am. - In # 1.

Officers - Davis & Robbins at 126. Hss.

1:03 Am. - In # 1.

Officers - Rogers & Abbott reported  
at Dragon Club.

Corrington - That drunk claims he's sick.  
Rogers - He's just drunk. Hss.

1:25 Am. - In # 1.

Rogers - Reported eating supper and would  
return shortly.

1:50 Am. - In # 1.

Officers - Davis & Robbins at 777.

2:10 Am. - Out # 2.

Roy (cabbie) - Called 26 (Checker Cab) Hss.

Johnnie - Hello -

Roy - How long have I been gone?  
Johnnie - thirty-five minutes.

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Has.

2:12 Am. - Out #2

Roy (cabbie) - Called 26 (Checker cab)

Tommy - Hello.

Roy - Check my time as \$1.<sup>75</sup> this trip.  
I'm waiting at city jail.

2:17 Am. - Out #2 -

Roy - Called 26 (Checker cab) Has.

Tommy - Hello.

Roy - Where's "Slim"?

Tommy - Down at the Hot Springs Confectionary

2:18 Am - Out #2 -

Roy - Called 291 (H.S. Confectionary), asked for  
"Slim" Johnson, the cab driver.

"Slim" - Hello!

Roy - I'm trying to find that guy's  
car - Where'd you pick him up?

Slim - At the Blue Ribbon.

Roy - Did he leave any keys  
in your car? Call me back.

Has.



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Has-

2:22 Am - In #1.

"Slim" - Roy. I couldn't find any keys.  
Roy - OK.

2:32 Am - Out #1.

Rogers - called 291 (H.S. Confectionery); asked  
for George.

George - Hello -

Rogers - Mr. Meyers, who works at the  
Kingsway Bath House wants  
you to go his bond for being drunk.

George - All right, I'll come over.

3:05 Am - In #1.

Has-

Officers - Murray & Kelly at 161.

3:15 Am - In #1.

Officers - Davis & Robbins at 126.

4:00 Am - In #1.

Officers - Davis & Robbins at 777.

Has-

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5:05 Am. - In # 1.

Has.

Officers - Davis & Robbins at 126.

5:50 Am - In # 1.

Woman - How many breakfasts?

Corrington - Five.

6:00 Am. - Out # 1.

Corrington - Called 1038

Mrs. McJunkins - Hello.

Corrington - Its six o'clock.

Has.

6:05 Am - In # 1.

Officers - Davis & Robbins reported -

7:15 Am - In # 2.

Man - This is Wells, at Kroger Grocery Store. Did you find anything of that car?

Officer - No, we haven't yet.

Has.

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8<sup>30</sup> am In #446

Skur

Corrington = City Jail

Man = Did you get a man  
by name of Littleton last night?

Corrington = No, we did not.

8<sup>35</sup> am In #173

Skur

Call for Akers - Not In

8<sup>43</sup> am In #173

Skur

Corrington = Chief's office

Man = Is L.E. Richardson around  
there?

Corrington = No, I haven't seen him.

Man = If he comes in have him  
call 1460 and ask for Curly.

Corrington = All right.

9<sup>02</sup> am In #446

Skur

Barnett Moore reported that  
he was ill and wouldn't be in.

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928 In #183

Glen

Corrington - Chief's Office

Man - Is Watkins there?

Watkins - Hello -

Man - Where does John Murray live?

Watkins - Somewhere in South Hot Springs.

Man - Does he have a phone?

Watkins - No -

Man - OK, thanks!

938 Out #183

Glen

Man called 3574 (Plein's Restaurant)  
and ordered 2 breakfasts.

944 Out = 446

Glen

Akers = 1037 - Busy -

947 In #183

Glen

Man called Rasberry and reported  
a Fortune Teller out near the Park.

He said this woman claimed knowledge  
of the Mattson kidnaping case and  
suggested to Rasberry that Dutch go out

and investigate. Raspberry told  
man he would see about it.

9<sup>51</sup> Out

Edna

Akers = 1037 (Emory + Ridgway, Atty's)

Emory = Hello -

Akers = This Sheriff from Iowa  
is here. Can I come up and  
talk with you?

Emory = Yes, come on up.

9<sup>56</sup> In #183

Edna

Call for Chief Raspberry - Not In.

10<sup>01</sup> In #183

Edna

Call for Akers = Not In.

10<sup>07</sup> Out #183

Edna

Evans = 184

Violet = Clerk's Office

Evans = This is Curly - have you  
any money for me?

Violet = Oh - well, come on around.

Evans = All right.

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10<sup>28</sup> In # 446 *Edw*  
Officer reporting - Jerry, at 65.

10<sup>30</sup> Out # 446 *Edw*  
Brock - 1037 - Busy -

10<sup>31</sup> In # 173 *Edw*  
Call for Akers - Not In.

10<sup>32</sup> In # 173 *Edw*  
Simmons at 217 3rd St called Akers  
about a man getting goods from  
his store yesterday without paying.  
Akers told him to come down to  
Clerk's office and get a warrant.

10<sup>35</sup> In # 173 *Edw*  
Jucker - Chief's Office  
Dr Houston - Let me speak with Raspberry -  
Raspberry - Hello -  
Dr. Houston - This is Dr. Houston. Some  
prowler has been taking  
gasoline from cars in  
my yard. I wish you'd have

your men watch out for  
someone who might repeat  
this act.

Rasberry - Ok Doctor - will have  
the night boys keep an eye  
open for them.

10<sup>27</sup> In #173

Gru

Girl called Akers and told him  
she wanted to see him. Akers told  
her to walk over to the jail.

10<sup>32</sup> In #446

Gru

Joe Scott called Tucker and  
asked if there was any mail  
for him. Tucker told him there  
was no mail for him.

10<sup>34</sup> In #173

Gru

Woman called for Mrs. Harrington  
(Police Matron). Tucker told woman  
to call 184.

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1047 In # 446

Glue

Call for Jerry Watkins = Not In.

1048 In # 446

Glue

Officer reported = Geo. Young at #87

1057 In # 173

Glue

Call for Curly Evans = Not In.

1115 In # 446

Glue

Officer reported = Jerry at 341

1120 In # 173

Glue

Call for Jerry Watkins - Not In.

1140 In # 173

Glue

Call for Jerry Watkins = Not In

1146 In # 173

Glue

Woman called in and reported that there was a woman begging on street that looked like the Mattson Kidnaper. Tucker said they'd take a look.



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1150 In # 446

Glen

Officer reported - Jerry at 116

1155 Am In # 173

Glen

Call for Jerry Matlines - Not In.

1212 Pm In # 173

Glen

Akers = Hello -

Anderson = Dutch, this is Marion,  
Have you forgotten?

Akers = No, I'll be up there this  
afternoon

1220 Pm In # 446

Glen

Tucker = Hello

Mayon = This is Leo. What is that  
woman's boy in for?

Tucker = Drunk and fighting.

Mayon = Well, she says she needs  
him so let her have him.

Tucker = All right.

1230 In # 173

Glen

Call for Red Jerry = Not In -

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12<sup>44</sup> PM In #173 In  
Officer reporting - Geo. Young at 1987

1<sup>16</sup> In #173

In  
Mrs Brock called and asked if  
Brock were there - she was told  
that Brock was not there.

12<sup>4</sup> In #446

In  
Call for Askers - Not In

12<sup>5</sup> In #446

In  
Call for Raspberry - Not In.

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1:37 P.M. Outgoing on #446 } J.L.M.  
Akers called #1037 (Emory - Ridgway)  
No answer -

1:38 P.M. Incoming on #446 } J.L.M.  
Man: Is Emily Evans there -  
Evans: Hello -  
Man: You know that car I was telling  
you about - it's at the Market Street  
Savage, and they won't let him  
have it.  
Evans: Tell him to come to the Station, + I'll  
see what I can do.  
Man: All right.

1:40 P.M. Incoming on #123 } J.L.M.  
Woman called in for Jerry Watkins - not in.

1:41 P.M. Outgoing on #446 } J.L.M.  
Akers: #3675 (L. B. Murray)  
Woman: Hello -  
Akers: Where is Hans?  
Woman: He's asleep.  
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Abner: Wake him and tell him to get on the telephone.

Murray: Hello -

Abner: Now, I got a girl down here that needs a \$1000 bond. Get a hold of Houston Emory. I think he wants you to go her bond.

Murray: All right.

1:44 P.M. Incoming on #4216

J.L.M.

Roy Emory: Is Abner there?

Abner: Hello -

Roy Emory: Did you see that fortune teller yet -

Abner: No, I haven't had time, yet - what's the trouble up there?

Roy Emory: This boy told me that a fellow came to her all scratched up in the face, and his clothes splattered with mud - that he wanted her to tell his fortune. She told him something about being mixed up in a murder, which made him

Ray Erney: jumps up and put on his hat,  
and went to his car. Another  
fellow apparently was lying down  
in the back seat, as this fellow  
saw his head when he raised  
it.

Akers: What happened to the boy who  
had his fortune told -

Ray Erney: He jumped in this car and  
drove off in it.

Akers: Where is this fortune teller located.

Ray Erney: (Described location of her trailer)

Akers: O.K. I'll go out and see her.

1:51 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.

Ridgway: Have you still got that girl over  
there?

Akers: Yes.

Ridgway: Houston told me about her case - I  
think a \$1000 qualified bond would be  
sufficient - if she can make it,  
let her do it.

Akers: I understand they're trying to do that now.  
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2:00 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.

Man: Is George Young there -

Young: Hello -

Man: I'm downtown now - come on down -

Young: Can't now - I'll be there about 2:30.

2:02 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.

Man: Is Arch around?

Sgt: No, he isn't here -

2:05 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.

Man called in and reported a dump ~~at~~  
in the vicinity of the Glenwood Cemetery.

2:07 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.

Woman: Is Jerry Watkins there -

Sgt: Out to lunch.

2:12 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.

Woman: Is Mr. Abers there -

Abers: Hello -

Woman: How are you?

Abers: All right, I've been pretty busy this morning.

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Woman: I just started to work -

Abers: Did you hear anything more about that boy?

Woman: He was ~~there~~ Sunday night for about two hours

Abers: Where?

Woman: Where I work -

Abers: Did he have a car?

Woman: I don't know, I couldn't see.

Abers: The next time he shows up there, reach me on some phone -

Woman: All right.

2:14 P.M. Outgoing on # 446

J.L.M.

Bob Mone: 1965

Woman: Hello -

Bob Mone: What's the matter with Barnett, I understand he's sick.

Woman: Slight touch of ptomaine poisoning. Where are you now?

Bob Mone: At the City Jail -

Woman: Come up here - I want you to pay

my utilities today. 18

Bob Mone: Will be there in 5 minutes.

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2:17 P.M. Outgoing on #446

J.L.M.

Akers: #3900

Man: Market Street Garage -

Akers: Have you got a Ford Coupe down there that belongs to a boy working at K-rogers' Grocery Co?

Man: Yes -

Akers: How come you people picked it up?

Man: Ray Conney of the Sheriff's Office told me to pull it in.

2:17 P.M. Outgoing on #446

J.L.M.

Akers: #613

Ray Conney: Hello -

Akers: Ray, did you find that Ford that was reported stolen this morning?

Ray Conney: Yes -

Akers: It belongs to one of the boys working at K-rogers' - where did you find it?

Ray Conney: In the rear of Hill Wheatley's Tourist Court -

Akers: I'll send this boy over to you.



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2:19 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Emory: Mr. Tucker, since that girl is over there, you can scratch my name + Marie Perkins' name off.

Tucker: Is she over here now?

Emory: Yeah.

2:23 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.M.

Roy Emory: Have you any report on that car being stolen?

Abers: Yes, Tucker took the report last night - the boy said he parked it at 4 o'clock and when he returned at night, it was gone.

Roy Emory: All right.

2:30 P.M. Outgoing on #123

J.L.M.

Abers: 1037

Winn: Emory - Ridgway

Abers: Houston (Emory) please -

Emory: Hello -

Abers: What did you want me to do with that girl? 20

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Emory: We're just arguing about her bond now.

Akers: Did Dan Emory get a hold of you?

Emory: Yes, he wants \$50.00 for that bond.

Akers: That's too damn much -

Emory: Yeah. we're arguing about it now.

Akers: Well, I'll keep her here in my office -  
I just wanted to know.

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247 PM In #183

GRW

Man called and reported a  
drunk at 770 1/4 3rd St.

305 PM In #183

GRW

Roy Erney at Sherriff's office called Akers.

Akers - Hello -

Erney - Dutch this fellow wants  
to act funny and argue about  
this car. He doesn't want to  
pay for tow charges.

Akers - Well, Roy, if he wants to act  
that way tell him he will  
have to get the Insurance Co.  
to get it.

Erney - Well, I think I'll do that.

Akers - That's what I'd do.

306 In #446

GRW

Akers - Hello

Houston Emory - Dutch, that woman is  
coming over with \$50 for  
bond. Please see that the  
girl comes up to see me and  
have her come alone - 22

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Akers: All right

3:01 PM Out # 446

AKA

Akers: 3675 (D.B. Murray - Bondsman)

Man: Hello

Akers: There is Murray.

Man: I don't know.

Akers: This is Akers at the City Jail.

Find him and have him call me.

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3:22 P.M. Outgoing on # 446

J.L.M.

Akers: # 613

Emory: Sheriff's Office

Akers: Is Dan Murry there -

Emory: No, I haven't seen him.

Akers: When he comes in, have him call me.

3:23 P.M. Outgoing on # 446

J.L.M.

Akers: # 3675 (D. B. Murry)

Woman: Hello -

Akers: Did Dan ever come home?

Woman: No, I just learned he went out of town.

Akers: Where?

Woman: I don't know.

3:24 P.M. Incoming on # 123

J.L.M.

Man reported a car parked on street car tracks in front of the White Tower Cafe.

3:25 P.M. Outgoing on # 446

J.L.M.

Akers called # 1037 and asked for Houston

Emory - was advised he was on way to City Jail.

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3:25 P.M. Outgoing on # 123 J.L.M.  
Watkins called # 2745 (Vance Bore. pawn-  
broker) and asked man who answered phone  
to come to the City Jail right away.

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336 Out #173

Glau

Akers = 184 (City Clerk's Office)

Violet = Clerk's Office

Akers = Did you keep that band around there?

Violet = Yes, is that all right?

Akers = That's OK.

340 Out #173

Glau

Akers = 6734. Little Rock (F.B.I. Field Division)

Clerk = F.B.I. Field Division

Akers = Is Mr. Little there?

SAC Little = Hello.

Akers = This is Herbert Akers at Hot Springs. Have you got a snatch on your records for the last 24 hours?

Little = No... not a thing.

Akers = Well, we had a car to show up here all muddy. It was a big sedan and the driver had blood on him. He had some sort of package wrapped up on the back seat.

He went to a fortune teller here and the fortune teller read the cards and when they turned up black and she told him there was trouble ahead he ran out and away.

McLittle - That looks funny. Do you know anything about the fortune teller?

Akers - No - she just came to town. What happened to that Mann Act case?

Little - They're going to the Grand jury.

Akers - Are they going before the Commissioner.

Little - Apparently not. You know about that fellow skipping bond in Memphis, don't you?

Akers - Yes. I just got his record. What has Samson done with his car case.

Little - Samson's been sick and just came back today. I'll ask him about it.



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(Talk about parade)

Akers: We had another funny looking  
case down Lee. A man  
and woman rented an  
apartment and paid rent  
up thru Thursday and last  
night they skipped out in  
a hurry.

Little: That does look funny.

Akers: They didn't leave anything.  
I haven't been out but am  
going out this afternoon.

Little: What kind of a car did  
they have.

Akers: I don't know.

Little: Well, thank you for calling.

345 Out #123

Blue

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347 In #446

Blue

Man called Arthur Young and asked him  
to come by the office. 28

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3<sup>54</sup> In # 446

Glue

Brock - Hello -

Emory: Hello - Brock do you  
remember Charlie Bryan?

Brock: No, I don't.

Emory: Thanks.

4<sup>12</sup> In # 173

Glue

Call for Raspberry - Not In.

4<sup>20</sup> In # 446

Glue

Officer reported - Kelly = 752.

4<sup>24</sup> Out # 143

Glue

Man: (called Southern Club)

Man: Hello

Man: Is Mike there?

Man: No, he's out. Call in about  
5 or 10 minutes.

Man: OK.

4<sup>26</sup> In # 446

Glue

Violet at Clerk's office told Monroe Young  
to go to Court House and get money for  
Mike.

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428 Pm Out #446 *Flu*  
Man called #3574 and ordered  
7 dinners for jail.

429 Pm Out #446 *Flu*  
Man = 1175  
Man = Hello - Kingsway Garage.  
Man = Is Gus, the City mechanic, up  
there?  
Man = He just left.

445 In #173 *Flu*  
Woman called and reported  
a fight at 170 Hunt Street.

447 In #173 *Flu*  
Officer reported - Geo. Young at 351

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4:53 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Little Rock Operator called for Herbert  
Abers - NOT IN.

5:08 P.M. Outgoing on #123 J.L.M.  
Rasberry: #45  
Bill: Hello -  
Rasberry: Have you anything ready for me?  
Bill: I got them in the glue now, but  
I can staple one for you.  
Rasberry: All right, bring it over.

5:10 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Officer Terry reported in from #122.

5:14 P.M. Outgoing on #123 J.L.M.  
Abers called #666 and asked what time dinner  
would be ready - maid said at 5:30 P.M.

5:25 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Long distance call from Little Rock for  
Mr. Abers: Call from Little Rock F.B.I. office  
Hanson: Did you call me?  
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Akers: No, but I talked with Little.  
Hammon: Guy in there was that other man.  
Akers: Where is <sup>he</sup> now?  
Hammon: Oh, he's in jail.  
Akers: Who brought it from Texas?  
Hammon: He did -  
Akers - By himself?  
Hammon - No with another fellow from around  
Texas. I'll get his picture and send  
it down to you, if I don't get down  
there myself.  
Akers: All right But, I'll see you later.

5:34 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Woman called in and inquired whether the police  
had picked up a young boy since 4 o'clock.  
Trucker said no -

5:37 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Officer Geo. Young reported, in from #1987,

5:41 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Woman called for Leroy Evans - gone to supper.  
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6:22 P.M. - In #2.

Woman - Have any bicycles been stolen lately?

Akers - Not that I know of.

Woman - There has been one in the alley by Central Theatre all day.

6:40 P.M. - In #1.

Woman - Is Garnett Moore there?

Akers - He's not here now.

6:45 P.M. - In #2.

Man (col) - Come to 332 Laurel St.

Akers - What's the trouble?

Man - A boy won't pay room rent.

Akers - We're no collection agency.

7:00 P.M. - In #1.

Officer - Reported at 172.

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7:10 P.m. - Out #2.

Watkins - Called "Information" for the number of Terminal Hotel or Mrs J. Bates, on B'way.

Opn. - Mrs Bates number is 2514-W

7:12 P.m. - Out #2.

Watkins - Called 2514-W.

Mrs Bates - Hello -

Watkins - Is Noah Watkins there?

Mrs Bates - He's not in now.

Watkins - Have him call me at the jail.

7:20 P.m. - In #2.

Woman - How can I find D. E. Davis, the State Revenue man?

Officer - He lives on Malvern Rd., near the fork in road.

7:30 P.m. - In #2.

Woman - Reported drunk at 522 Spring St.

Officer - Call Mr. Erney at 613. He takes care of drunks. Don't tell him you called anyone else. 34

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7:54 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Miss Brenner: Is Mr. Akers there?

Tricker: No, he's out on a call -

Miss Brenner: This is Gross Mortuary - have you  
received a report of a shooting  
out on Higdon Ferry Road?

Tricker: No, has there been one?

Miss Brenner: The ambulance just got a call  
to go out there - heard that  
a woman was shot out there  
near Jim Wright's place.

Tricker: If you hear any more, give us  
a ring.

7:54 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Officer Geo. Young reported in from #1987.

7:55 P.M. Outgoing on #123 J.L.M.  
Watkins: 613

John E. Conroy: Sheriff's Office:  
Watkins: There's been a shooting out on the  
Higdon - Ferry Road, and Gross just  
sent an ambulance there - better find  
out what it's all about. 35



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7:55 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Officer Terry reported in from #116

7:56 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.

Dorothy: Is Jerry Kathnis there -

Kathnis: Hello.

Dorothy: This is Dorothy - Clara was over to see me yesterday, but I wasn't at home. Tell her that I'm working at the Library in the afternoon now. I'm taking some sick person's place there.

Kathnis: All right, I'll tell her;

Dorothy: I want to ask you a question - you can answer yes or no -

Kathnis: What is it?

Dorothy: Is Bob Moore going to work at the Southern Club?

Kathnis: Well, I don't know.

Dorothy: I saw him at the wrestling match last night, and asked him whether he was going to work there. He said he didn't know yet.

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Watkins: I sure don't know either.

Dorothy: I got a letter from Goodie (phonetic) the other day - he's at Minneapolis, Minn. now. Said he had a good job there if they remain open.

Watkins: Guess he misses you, doesn't he.

Dorothy: He said he did -

8:02 P.M. Outgoing on #446

J. L. M.

Officer Terry called 3476-W and asked woman there if she knew Miss Bombrose's telephone number - woman said it was 3126-J.

8:03 P.M. Outgoing on #446

J. L. M.

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8:08 P.M. Outgoing on #123

J. L. M.

Akers: 29

Woman: Guess something -

Akers: What is the dope on that shooting?

Woman: I don't know yet - the ambulance went out there

Akers: When they drive by there, give me a ring. 37.

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8:10 P.M. Outgoing on #446

J.L.M.

Akers: ~~out~~ 3700

Man: Sentinel - Record -

Akers: Let me speak with Eddie Sherman -

Sherman: Hello -

Akers: Eddie, this is Dutch - the Chief is going to start a drive on those one-eyed automobiles - I wish you would put something in the paper about that and mention the Chief's name in the article. Say in it that we're prepared to stop every car with insufficient lighting facilities.

Sherman: All right, I'll take care of that.

8:14 P.M. ~~Outgoing~~ Incoming on #446 J.L.M.

Miss Brenner: Is Mr. Akers there?

Akers: Hello -

Miss Brenner: This is Miss Brenner - the boys just passed here and are on their way to the Levi Hospital.

Akers: All right, thank-you.

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8:14 P.M. Outgoing on # 246

J.L.D.

Akers: # 181

Nurse: Levi Hospital -

Akers: This is Akers with the Police Dept. -

boos ambulance is on their way with  
an emergency over to the hospital - have  
one of the boys call me as soon as  
they get loose.

Nurse: I sure will.

8:16 P.M. Incoming on # 246

J.L.D.

Herbert: Is Akers there?

Akers: Hello.

Herbert: This is Herb - a woman was accident  
ly shot by her husband.

Akers: What's her name?

Herbert: Mrs. Harry Smith.

Akers: What happened?

Herbert: The husband was cleaning his gun,  
& it accidentally went off & shot her  
through the chest.

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8:20 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Woman: Is Dutch there?  
Trucker: He's busy right now - will you  
leave your number?  
Woman: No, I'll call back.

8:21 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Woman: Is Barnett Moore there?  
Trucker: No, he's sick today.

8:27 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Night Supt of Levi Hospital: In this shooting case,  
is the husband wanted  
for questioning?  
Trucker: I don't know - why?  
Supt: He's here in the Hospital.  
Trucker: Call the Sheriff's office -  
one of us went out  
~~there~~ on the call.

8:30 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.  
Man: Someone just fired a shot through my  
kitchen window at 114 Pector Street -

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Man: I wish you would come out and investigate it -

Mathias: We'll be right out there.

8:31 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.

Woman: Come to 141 St. Louis Ave right away?

Akers: What's the trouble there?

Woman: A fight, and I want you to pick up a man.

Akers: All right, we'll be there.

8:43 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.

Woman: Is Akers there?

Trucker: Out on a call.

9:04 P.M. Incoming on #446 J.L.M.

Johnny Sudder: Is Dutch there -

Trucker: No, he's gone.

9:23 P.M. Outgoing on #446 J.L.M.

Walter Abel: 2393 (Marion Anderson's residence)  
Is Marion there?

Woman: No, he might be at Spencers.

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9:23 P.M. Outgoing on #446 J.L.M.  
Walter Ebel: #1987

Man: Spencer -

Walter Ebel: Is Marvin Anderson there?

Man: No, he's not.

9:25 P.M. Incoming on #123 J.L.M.

Wathnis: Is Rogers there?

Rogers: Hello.

Wathnis: This is Swede - have you any calls toward South Hot Springs?

Rogers: No, but I'm fixing to take the Chief home + I'll pick you up on the way back. Where are you?

Wathnis: At Ben Harris' Place. I'll wait in front for you.

10:00 P.M. - Incoming on #446 J.L.M.  
Officers Murray + Kelly reported in from #116.

10:12 P.M. - Outgoing on #446 J.L.M.

Rogers: #100

Man: Central Garage -  
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Rogers: Is Fitzwater there?

Man: No.

Rogers: This is Rogers at the Police Dept. - have him call me when he comes in.

10:15 P.M. Incoming on #123

J.L.D.

Man called in and asked police to come to 426 E. Grand Ave. where a crazy man was running loose. Rogers said he would send some one over there.



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11:00 P.M. - In #1.

Officers - Murray + Kelly at 116.

11:20 P.M. - In #1. For Charlie (Robbins)

Charlie - Hello.

Man - See if it gives a motor number on the description of that car with tags #49-423.

Charlie - (pause) No, there's no motor number given.

Man - Well - We found that other car that you was talking about. No one in it.

Charlie - OK.

Has-

11:30 P.M. - In #2 -

Man - Is Jerry Watkins there?

Corrington - No he's not.

Man - Where does he live?

Corrington - At 720 South Avenue -

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7 DON TELEPHONE #648  
LISTED TO MAYOR'S OFFICE  
CITY HALL, HOT SPRINGS  
PLANT AT 207 LAUREL

9:00 A.M. Outgoing #

J L M.

Mayor: #2715 (Richard M. Ryan)

Woman: Hello.

Mayor: Is Judge Ryan there -

Ryan: Hello.

Mayor: Write. I just talked to Bruce Wallace about that fee - he's squawking about it - said it was too much. I also talked with Kemp - he thought it was too high too.

Ryan: What the hell is the matter with them over there - they can't get people to fork with <sup>that</sup> stuff unless they pay for it.

Mayor: Well, I told him we had done a lot of work on it, and that there was still a lot more to come.

9:12 A.M. Incoming

J L M.

Miles: Is Ledgerwood there -

Miss Marsh: No, he's up in court.

Miles: This is Brother Miles, I'll call him after court.

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9<sup>14</sup> Out

Glenn

Mayon called Grady Manning at Little Rock.

Manning = Hello -

Mayon = This is Les. What's going on over there? Is it raining?

Manning = Yes, it is.

Mayon = Who ordered that?

Manning = I don't know. We have a big crowd but the weather will be bad for the parade. Everything went off O.K. I saw Guy yesterday and Nicolls was there. He said it wouldn't be brought up for several days and he assured me he would see me before then.

Mayon = What about this fellow Hollingsworth?

Manning = He isn't in the way I don't believe. Scott Hood is

over here mingling around  
with everyone. I don't mean  
he's trying to do anything  
but he's here with and about  
everybody. I'll keep in touch  
with you and let you know  
if I see the red flag coming up.  
Mayor = All right.

937 In + 648 Elna  
Miss Marsh = Mayor's Office  
Man = Is Leo there?  
Mayor = Hello -  
Man = Leo - will need six new  
ballot boxes.  
Mayor = Well, you'd better have  
them made.  
Man = OK. I wanted to get your OK.

940 In Elna  
Miss Marsh = Mayor's Office  
Mrs Lane = Is the Mayor in?  
Mayor = Hello -  
Mrs Lane = Mr. McLaughlin, this is

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Mrs. Lane at the Lane Apartments.  
There are a bunch of stray dogs  
in the neighborhood that make  
a lot of noise and disturb  
my guests. Can anything be  
done about them.

Mayor: Well the only thing is to  
find out who the owners are  
and swear out a warrant for  
maintaining a nuisance.

Mrs. Lane: All right. Thanks.

9<sup>47</sup> Out

Ekur

Judge Legerwood called # 3601  
and talked to Miles about  
going bird hunting.

10<sup>07</sup> In

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Miss Marsh - Mayor's Office -

Woman - Is Judge Legerwood there?

Legerwood - Hello -

Woman - This is Sully. Do you have  
a phone at the Como Hotel -

Legerwood - Just call the Hotel and  
ask for room 480.

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10<sup>15</sup> Out

Hazel Marsh = 1174 (Five Dept) Elmer

Man = Hello -

Hazel Marsh = Tell Elmer to come to  
Mayor's Office.

Man = All right.

10<sup>43</sup> In

Elmer

Sterling Couch at Little Rock called Mayor.

Mayor = Hello -

Couch = This is Sterling Couch - I won't  
be able to come over today.

Have you been able to work  
on that loan?

Mayor = No, not yet. When are you  
coming over again?

Couch = Next Tuesday I expect to be there

Mayor = Well, suppose you call  
me Monday and I'll let you  
know how things look then.

Couch = All right. Thanks.

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10<sup>54</sup> In

Shun

Mayor - Hello -

Carl - This is Carl at the Court House.

Have you heard anything?

Mayor - Well, I talked to Gaby and  
he says everything looks all right.  
Our man Hollingsworth  
reported and it looks like  
we've got a pretty strong front.

Carl - Well, that's fine.

11<sup>22</sup> Out

Shun

Mayor - 446

Rasberry - Hello -

Mayor - This is Les. There is a woman  
operating a rooming house  
over Bert Hall's place. Bert has  
a music box down there which  
she says goes all hours. Put  
an 11<sup>00</sup> o'clock limit on that.

Rasberry - All right.

Mayor - There's another at the place White  
House on Duachita. put some  
limit on that.

Rasberry - All right, I'll take care of that.

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12<sup>45</sup> Pm Out

ELR

Mayor placed a call for  
Grady Manning at Marion Hotel,  
Little Rock. Operator reported that  
Mr. Manning was out and could  
not be reached. The Mayor asked  
the operator to try the call later  
and that she could reach him  
at his home phone # 600.



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1:57 P.M. Incoming on #3

J.L.M.

Mr. M'Lee: Is the Mayor in?

Miss Marsh: No, he's not.

Mr. M'Lee: This is Mr. M'Lee.

Miss Marsh: Oh yes. If it's urgent, I can get in touch with him.

Mr. M'Lee: No, it isn't that important - I just wanted to talk to him.

2:06 P.M. Outgoing

J.L.M.

Miss Marsh: #3336

Dorothy: Hello -

Miss Marsh: Dorothy, I was talking to Dannie about that thing, and she said there is nothing she can do, and for you to see Miss Connolly about it.

Dorothy: All right - thank you, Hazel.